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**Council for Trade-Related Aspects
of Intellectual Property Rights**

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**NOTIFICATION OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS UNDER
ARTICLE 63.2 OF THE TRIPS AGREEMENT**

COSTA RICA: EXECUTIVE DECREE NO. 37549-JP - PROTECTION OF COMPUTER PROGRAMS
IN CENTRAL GOVERNMENT MINISTRIES AND INSTITUTIONS

Notifying Member	COSTA RICA
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Details of the notified legal text

Title	Executive Decree No. 37549-JP - Protection of Computer Programs in Central Government Ministries and Institutions
Subject matter	Copyright and related rights; Enforcement
Nature of notification	<input type="checkbox"/> Main dedicated intellectual property law or regulation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other law or regulation
Link to legal text*	https://ip-documents.info/2023/IP/CRI/23_0756_00_s.pdf
Notification status	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> First notification <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment or revision to notified legal text <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement or consolidation of notified legal text(s)
Previous notification(s) referred to	Not applicable
Brief description of the notified legal text	
<p>The Decree stipulates that central government institutions must use legal software. In this connection, a report is issued annually and sent to the Industrial Property Registry. Once the information received has been reviewed, a report is issued to the Minister of Justice, who in turn informs the President of the Republic, in order to coordinate action to be taken in the event of non-compliance.</p>	
Language(s) of notified legal text	Spanish
Entry into force	31 March 2013
Other date	Publication: 1 March 2013

Notification details

Submission date of notification	26 January 2023
Other information	
Agency or authority responsible	<i>Registro de Propiedad Intelectual</i> (Intellectual Property Registry) secretariapi@rnp.go.cr

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