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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**

FRANCE: ORDER NO. 2018-341 OF 9 MAY 2018 ON THE EUROPEAN PATENT WITH UNITARY
EFFECT AND THE UNIFIED PATENT COURT

Notifying Member	FRANCE
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Details of the notified legal text

Title	Order No. 2018-341 of 9 May 2018 on the European patent with unitary effect and the Unified Patent Court
Subject matter	Patents (including plant variety protection); Enforcement
Nature of notification	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Main dedicated intellectual property law or regulation <input type="checkbox"/> Other law or regulation
Link to legal text*	https://ip-documents.info/2022/IP/FRA/22_5445_00_f.pdf
Notification status	<input type="checkbox"/> First notification <input checked="" 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	IP/N/1/FRA/C/1
Brief description of the notified legal text	
Order No. 2018-341 amends the Intellectual Property Code to ensure that French legislation is compatible with Regulation (EU) No. 1257/2012 and Council Regulation (EU) No. 1260/2012 of 17 December 2012 on the unitary patent and the Agreement on a Unified Patent Court of 19 February 2013. The amendments to the Intellectual Property Code address the alignment of French patents with European patents and with European patents with unitary effect, the dissemination of information on European patents by the National Industrial Property Institute to third parties, the exclusive jurisdiction of the Unified Patent Court over patents and the extension of the effects of patents with unitary effect to the overseas territories.	
Language(s) of notified legal text	French
Entry into force	Order No. 2018-341 will enter into force on the same date as the Agreement on a Unified Patent Court of 19 February 2013.
Other date	

Notification details

Submission date of notification	18 July 2022
Other information	IP/N/1/EU/P/1 (Regulation (EU) No. 1257/2012) IP/N/1/EU/P/8 (Regulation (EU) No. 1260/2012)
Agency or authority responsible	

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