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##### *Multilateral Agreements on Acquisition or Maintenance of Protection*

The obligations under Articles 3 and 4 do not apply to procedures provided in multilateral agreements concluded under the auspices of WIPO relating to the acquisition or maintenance of intellectual property rights.

### **1.2 Notification**

1. At its meeting of 27 February 1997, the TRIPS Council referred to three options for meeting obligations to notify laws and regulations that correspond to the obligations of Articles 3, 4 and 5 of the TRIPS Agreement. It circulated a format as a practical aid in respect of one of those options.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> [IP/C/M/12](#), paras. 10-16. The format can be found in [IP/C/9](#).