Notice Issued by General Office of the State Council about the Printing and Distribution of the Plan for the Division of Work for Key Tasks regarding "Several State Council Opinions on the Acceleration of Establishing China as a Strong Intellectual Property Nation in this New Terrain"

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To the people's governments of all provinces, autonomous regions, and municipalities directly under the Central Government, and all relevant State Council departments: "The Plan for the Division of Work for Key Tasks regarding 'Several State Council Opinions on the Acceleration of Establishing China as a Strong Intellectual Property Nation in this New Terrain'," which has been approved by the State Council, has now been printed and distributed to you for your earnest implementation. All relevant departments should follow the plan requirements for the division of work, further divide and specify the distributed work, and develop specific measures as soon as possible. For work involving multiple departments, the lead department should strengthen coordination, and relevant departments should closely cooperate. The people's governments of all provinces, autonomous regions, and municipalities directly under the Central Government should strengthen organization and leadership, fulfill responsibilities, and make an implementation plan and supporting policies based on actual conditions. Full play should be given to the function of the National Leading Group against Intellectual Property Infringement and Producing & Selling Counterfeits, IP protection should be strengthened, and all interested parties should be encouraged to concentrate their work efforts. The Office of the Inter-Ministerial Joint Conference for the Implementation of the State Council's Intellectual Property Strategy should strengthen coordination and cooperation, coordinate for the resolution of major issues, and strengthen the guidance, supervision, and inspection of the implementation of relevant policies and measures to promote the effective implementation of various measures.

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## The Plan for the Division of Work for Key Tasks regarding "Several State Council Opinions on the Acceleration of Establishing China as a Strong Intellectual Property Nation in this New Terrain"

In order to implement "Several State Council Opinions on the Acceleration of Establishing China as a Strong Intellectual Property Nation in this New Terrain" (Guo Fa [2015] No. 71), according to all relevant departments' responsibilities, the division of work for key tasks is as follows:

- I. Advance the Reform of the IP Management System and Mechanism
- (i) Study and perfect the IP management system.

- 1. Improve the inter-ministerial joint conference system for the implementation of the national intellectual property strategy, with the leaders of the State Council as the conveners. (The State Intellectual Property Office is responsible for this task)
- 2. Actively study and explore the reform of the IP management system and mechanism. (The State Commission Office for Public Sector Reform, the State Intellectual Property Office, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, and the National Copyright Administration are responsible for this task. The first department listed takes the lead, and the same pattern is followed hereafter)
- 3. Empower localities to carry out pilot programs for IP reform. Encourage regions with favorable conditions to carry out pilot reforms for comprehensive IP management. (The State Intellectual Property Office, the State Commission Office for Public Sector Reform, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, and the National Copyright Administration are responsible for this task)
- (ii) Improve the management of the IP service industry and social organizations.
- 4. Relax entry control over the IP service industry, promote the high-quality and efficient development of the service industry, and accelerate the building of cluster areas for the IP service industry. (The State Intellectual Property Office, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, and the National Copyright Administration are responsible for this task)
- 5. Further open the patent agency field and relax restrictions on the shareholders or partners of patent agencies. (The State Intellectual Property Office is responsible for this task)
- 6. Explore and implement the "one industry, many associations" pilot program for the IP service industry association. Improve the information disclosure system to promptly release credit ratings and other relevant information about IP agencies and practitioners. (The State Intellectual Property Office, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, and the National Copyright Administration are responsible for this task)

- 7. Regulate the standard fees of collective National Copyright Administration organizations and improve the income distribution system to increase the copyright owner's share of licensing revenues. (The National Copyright Administration is responsible for this task)
- (iii) Establish an IP appraisal system for major economic activities.
- 8. Study and formulate policies for IP appraisal. Improve the guidelines for IP appraisal and standardize the appraisal scope and procedures. Conduct IP appraisal for major national industrial planning and major investment projects in high-tech fields, establish an objective IP assessment system for national science and technology plans, actively carry out IP appraisal pilot programs for major science and technology activities, create a release system for IP appraisal reports in key fields, improve innovation efficiency, and reduce the risk of industrial development. (The State Intellectual Property Office, the National Development and Reform Commission, the Ministry of Science and Technology, the Ministry of Industry and InformationTechnology, and the State Administration for Industry and Commerce are responsible for this task)
- (iv) Establish an evaluation system for innovation-driven development, with intellectual property as the main content.
- 9. Gradually include IP products in national economy calculations, and include IP indicators in the national economic and social development plan. (The National Bureau of Statistics, the National Development and Reform Commission, the State Intellectual Property Office, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, and the National Copyright Administration are responsible for this task)
- 10. When conducting comprehensive performance evaluations for party and government leading groups and leaders, more attention shall be paid to their efforts and achievements with regards to encouraging inventions, IP protection, strengthening IP transformation and utilization, and creating a good IP environment. (The Organization Department of the Communist Party of China, the State Intellectual Property Office, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, and the National Copyright Administration are responsible for this task)
- 11. Explore the establishment of an SOE evaluation model based equally on business performance, intellectual property, and innovation. (The State-Owned Assets Supervision and Administration

Commission, the Organization Department of the Communist Party of China, and the State Intellectual Property Office are responsible for this task)

- 12. Set up an IP rewards program in accordance with relevant national regulations, and increase the evaluation weight of intellectual property in various national reward systems. (The State Intellectual Property Office, the Ministry of Human Resources and Social Security, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, and the National Copyright Administration are responsible for this task)
- 13. Publish an annual IP development report. (The State Intellectual Property Office, the Ministry of Agriculture, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the General Administration of Quality Supervision, the National Copyright Administration, and the State Forestry Administration are responsible for this task)
- II. Implement Strict Intellectual Property Protection
- (i) Intensify the punishment for IP infringement.
- 14. Raise the statutory compensation ceiling for IP infringement, impose punitive damages for serious cases of malicious infringement, and order the infringing party to bear all reasonable actual expenses. (The Supreme People's Court, the Ministry of Agriculture, the Ministry of Culture, the General Administration of Customs, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the General Administration of Quality Supervision, the National Copyright Administration, the China Food and Drug Administration, the State Forestry Administration, the State Intellectual Property Office, and the Legislative Affairs Office are responsible for the various tasks based on the division of responsibilities)
- 15. Push for the further disclosure of information concerning IP infringement cases receiving administrative penalties. (The National Leading Group Office of the Campaign against IPR Infringement and Counterfeits, the Ministry of Agriculture, the Ministry of Culture, the General Administration of Customs, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the General Administration of Quality Supervision, the National Copyright Administration, the China Food and Drug Administration, the State Forestry Administration, and the State Intellectual Property Office are responsible for this task)

- 16. Improve the mechanism for express IP protection. (The State Intellectual Property Office is responsible for this task)
- 17. Enhance IP enforcement in fields such as international exhibitions and e-commerce. (The Ministry of Agriculture, the Ministry of Culture, the General Administration of Customs, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the General Administration of Quality Supervision, the National Copyright Administration, the China Food and Drug Administration, the State Forestry Administration, and the State Intellectual Property Office are responsible for the various tasks based on the division of responsibilities)
- 18. Carry out joint law enforcement with relevant international organizations and overseas law enforcement agencies and strengthen Sino-foreign cooperation in the judicial protection of intellectual property. (The Supreme People's Court, the Supreme People's Procuratorate, the Ministry of Public Security, the Ministry of Justice, the Ministry of Agriculture, the Ministry of Commerce, the Ministry of Culture, the General Administration of Customs, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the General Administration of Quality Supervision, the National Copyright Administration, the China Food and Drug Administration, the State Forestry Administration, and the State Intellectual Property Office are responsible for the various tasks based on the division of responsibilities)
- (ii) Intensify the crackdown on IP crimes.
- 19. Crack down on criminal acts of IP infringement, with a focus on the chain-type, industrialized IP crime network. (The Ministry of Public Security is responsible for this task)
- 20. Further strengthen the connection between the administrative enforcement and criminal justice of intellectual property, and do a better job of transferring suspected criminal cases to judicial bodies. (The National Leading Group Office of the Campaign against IPR Infringement and Counterfeits and the Supreme People's Procuratorate take the lead, and the Supreme People's Court, the Ministry of Public Security, the Ministry of Agriculture, the Ministry of Culture, the General Administration of Customs, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the General Administration of Quality Supervision, the National Copyright Administration, the State Forestry Administration, and the State Intellectual Property Office are responsible for this task)

- 21. Improve foreign-related IP enforcement mechanisms, strengthen international cooperation in criminal enforcement, and intensify investigation efforts for foreign-related IP crime cases. (The National Leading Group Office of the Campaign against IPR Infringement and Counterfeits, the Ministry of Public Security, the Ministry of Commerce, the General Administration of Customs, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the General Administration of Quality Supervision, the National Copyright Administration, the State Intellectual Property Office, and the China Council for the Promotion of International Trade are responsible for this task)
- 22. Strengthen the judicial assistance given to relevant international organizations and countries in fighting IP crimes, and enhance information exchange and the report of case details. (The Ministry of Justice, the Supreme People's Court, the Supreme People's Procuratorate, the Ministry of Public Security, the General Administration of Customs, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the General Administration of Quality Supervision, the National Copyright Administration, and the State Intellectual Property Office are responsible for this task)
- (iii) Establish and improve an early-warning preventive mechanism for IP protection.
- 23. Include enterprises and individuals with intentional IP infringement acts into their credit records. (The National Development and Reform Commission and the People's Bank of China take the lead, and the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the National Copyright Administration, and the State Intellectual Property Office are responsible for this task)
- 24. Push for the improvement of laws and regulations for trade secret protection, and strengthen trade secret protection in talent exchanges and technical cooperation. (The State Administration for Industry and Commerce and the Legislative Affairs Office are responsible for this task)
- 25.Strengthen customs' enforcement of IP protection. Establish a working mechanism for collecting related information about the origins of counterfeit products, and publish annual reports on IP protection by China's customs. (The General Administration of Customs, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the State Intellectual Property Office, and the State Postal Bureau are responsible for this task)
- 26. Strengthen IP management and protection for large specialized markets. (The State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the General Administration of Quality Supervision,

the National Copyright Administration, and the State Intellectual Property Office are responsible for the various tasks based on the division of responsibilities)

- 27. Give full play to the active role of industry organizations in IP protection. (The National Leading Group Office of the Campaign against IPR Infringement and Counterfeits is responsible for this task)
- 28. Use big data, cloud computing, the Internet of Things, and other information technologies to enhance IP protection for online creativity and R&D achievements and improve early-warning and prevention capabilities. (The State Intellectual Property Office and the Office of the Central Leading Group for Cyberspace Affairs are responsible for this task)
- 29. Strengthen IP protection assistance for small and micro enterprises, and build an innovative entrepreneurship and business environment with fair competition and regulation. (The Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, the Ministry of Public Security, the Ministry of Justice, the Ministry of Agriculture, the Ministry of Commerce, the Ministry of Culture, the People's Bank of China, the General Administration of Customs, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the General Administration of Quality Supervision, the National Copyright Administration, the State Forestry Administration, the State Intellectual Property Office, the Office of the Central Leading Group for Cyberspace Affairs, and the State Postal Bureau are responsible for the various tasks based on the division of responsibilities)
- 30. Conduct a social satisfaction survey for IP protection. (The Central Committee Office for the Comprehensive Management of Public Security and the State Intellectual Property Office are responsible for the various tasks based on the division of responsibilities)
- (iv) Strengthen IP protection for innovative achievements made in new business types and fields.
- 31. Improve the relevant legal systems for the protection of new plant varieties, biological genetic resources, and related traditional knowledge and databases as well as national defense intellectual property. (The Ministry of Science and Technology, the Ministry of Environmental Protection, the Ministry of Agriculture, the State Forestry Administration, the State Intellectual Property Office, the Legislative Affairs Office, the State Administration of Science, Technology and Industry for

National Defense, and the Central Military Commission's Equipment Development Department are responsible for the various tasks based on the division of responsibilities)

- 32. Make laws regarding geographical indications (GI) at a proper time. (The Ministry of Agriculture, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the General Administration of Quality Supervision, and the Legislative Affairs Office are responsible for the various tasks based on the division of responsibilities)
- 33. Study and improve the protection system for intellectual property involving business models and industrial designs patents for applied art. (The State Intellectual Property Office and the Supreme People's Court take the lead)
- 34. Strengthen the study of IP protection rules for the Internet, e-commerce, big data, and other fields, and push for the improvement of relevant laws and regulations. (The National Leading Group Office of the Campaign against IPR Infringement and Counterfeits, the Office of the Central Committee for the Comprehensive Management of Public Security, the Supreme People's Court, the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, the Ministry of Public Security, the Ministry of Agriculture, the Ministry of Commerce, the Ministry of Culture, the General Administration of Customs, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the General Administration of Quality Supervision, the National Copyright Administration, the China Food and Drug Administration, the State Forestry Administration, the State Intellectual Property Office, the Legislative Affairs Office, and the Office of the Central Leading Group for Cyberspace Affairs are responsible for this task)
- 35. Formulate IP protection policies for mass entrepreneurship and innovation, crowdsourcing, collective support, and crowdfunding. (The State Intellectual Property Office is responsible for this task)
- (v) Regulate and control the abuse of intellectual property.
- 36. Improve the legal system for regulating and controlling the abuse of intellectual property, and formulate relevant anti-monopoly enforcement guidelines. (The National Development and Reform Commission, the Ministry of Commerce, the State Administration for Industry and

Commerce, the State Intellectual Property Office, and the Legislative Affairs Office are responsible for the various tasks based on the division of responsibilities)

- 37. Improve the regulatory mechanism for anti-IP monopoly, and investigate and punish according to law behaviors of excluding and restricting competition through the abuse of intellectual property and other monopolistic behaviors. (The National Development and Reform Commission, the Ministry of Commerce, and the State Administration for Industry and Commerce are responsible for the various tasks based on the division of responsibilities)
- 38. Improve fair, reasonable, and non-discriminatory licensing policies for standard essential patents as well as the applicable rules for stopping infringement. (The General Administration of Quality Supervision, the State Intellectual Property Office, the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, and the Supreme People's Court are responsible for this task)
- III. Promote the Creation and Utilization of IP
- (i). Perfect the IP examination and registration system.
- 39. Establish a quick registration channel for computer software copyright registration. (The National Copyright Administration is responsible for this task)
- 40. Optimize the process and methods for patent and trademark examination, and achieve the online registration, electronic application, and paperless approval of intellectual property. (The State Administration for Industry and Commerce and the State Intellectual Property Office are responsible for the various tasks based on the division of responsibilities)
- 41. Perfect the coordination mechanism for IP examination. (The State Commission Office for Public Sector Reform, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, and the State Intellectual Property Office are responsible for the various tasks based on the division of responsibilities)
- 42. Establish a centralized examination system for patent applications from key competitive industries, and establish and improve the working mechanism for patent examination related to industry security. (The State Intellectual Property Office and the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology are responsible for this task)

- 43. Reasonably expand the ex-officio examination scope of patent right confirmation procedures, and improve the system for modifying patent documents after patent licensing. (The State Intellectual Property Office and the Legislative Affairs Office are responsible for this task)
- 44. Expand the "patent examination highway" international cooperation network, and accelerate the building of world-class patent examination organizations. (The State Intellectual Property Office is responsible for this task)
- (ii) Improve the service invention system.
- 45. Encourage and guide enterprises and institutions to establish and improve the service invention management system in terms of invention reports, ownership division, rewards, and dispute settlement. (The State Intellectual Property Office, the Ministry of Education, the Ministry of Science and Technology, the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, the Ministry of Agriculture, the State-Owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission, the State Forestry Administration, and the Chinese Academy of Sciences are responsible for this task)
- 46. Explore and improve the income distribution system for innovative achievements, and increase the backbone teams' and principal inventors' share to safeguard the legitimate rights and interests of the inventors of service inventions. Encourage SOEs, in accordance with relevant policies and regulations, to grant their subordinate research institutes authority for IP disposition and income distribution. (The State Intellectual Property Office, the Ministry of Science and Technology, the Ministry of Education, the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Agriculture, the State-Owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission, the Chinese Academy of Sciences, and the State Administration of Science, Technology and Industry for National Defense are responsible for this task)
- (iii) Promote the reform of the patent licensing system.
- 47. Strengthen the spread of patents through patent licensing. Study and establish a system for patent licensing, of course, and encourage more patent owners to license patents to society. (The State Intellectual Property Office and the Legislative Affairs Office are responsible for this task)

- 48. Perfect the launch, examination, and implementation procedures for compulsory patent licensing. (The State Intellectual Property Office is responsible for this task)
- 49. Encourage colleges and universities, research institutes, and other institutions to support the innovative entrepreneurship efforts of their employees and students by licensing patents free of charge. (The Ministry of Education, the Ministry of Science and Technology, the Ministry of Finance, the State Intellectual Property Office, and the Chinese Academy of Sciences are responsible for this task)

## (iv) Strengthen the building of an IP trading platform.

- 50. Build an IP operation and service system, and accelerate the building of a national public IP operation and service platform. (The State Intellectual Property Office, the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Education, the Ministry of Science and Technology, the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, the State-Owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission, the Chinese Academy of Sciences, the State Administration of Science, Technology and Industry for National Defense, and the Central Military Commission's Equipment Development Department are responsible for this task)
- 51. Make innovations on IP investment and financing products, explore IP securitization, improve IP credit guarantee mechanisms, and promote the development of new models, such as combinations of investments and loans, investments and guarantees, and investments and debts. Guide angel investment, venture capital, and privately-offered fund to increase their investment in high-tech fields in regions designated for comprehensive innovation reform experiments. (The People's Bank of China, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the National Copyright Administration, the State Intellectual Property Office, the China Banking Regulatory Commission, and the China Securities Regulatory Commission are responsible for the various tasks based on the division of responsibilities)
- 52. Specify stipulations for accounting standards, and push for enterprises to conduct scientific accounting and to manage IP assets. (The Ministry of Finance and the State Intellectual Property Office are responsible for this task)

- 53. Push for colleges and universities and research institutes to establish a sound IP transfer and change mechanism. (The State Intellectual Property Office, the Ministry of Education, the Chinese Academy of Sciences, and the State Administration of Science, Technology and Industry for National Defense are responsible for this task)
- 54. Support crowdfunding and crowdsourcing models as a way to explore IP creation and operation, and promote the integrated development of "Internet + IP." (The State Intellectual Property Office, the National Development and Reform Commission, the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, and the China Securities Regulatory Commission are responsible for this task)
- (v) Foster IP-intensive industries.
- 55. Explore and formulate the catalog and development plan for IP-intensive industries. Guide social capital to invest in IP-intensive industries through private equity funds and other market-based approaches. Increase the government's support for IP-intensive industries through government procurement. (The State Intellectual Property Office, the National Development and Reform Commission, and the Ministry of Finance are responsible for this task)
- 56. Carry out pilot programs for building cluster zones of IP-intensive industries and demonstration bases for the industry's products, and implement IP cluster management. (The State Intellectual Property Office and the National Development and Reform Commission are responsible for this task)
- (vi) Improve the added value and international influence of intellectual property.
- 57. Carry out programs to improve patent quality and foster a number of core patents. Step up protection for industrial designs patents in light industry, textiles, apparel, and other industries. (The State Intellectual Property Office is responsible for this task)
- 58. Further implement the project of "increasing farmers' income through trademarks." (The State Administration for Industry and Commerce and the Ministry of Agriculture are responsible for this task)

- 59. Strengthen the development and utilization of intangible cultural heritage, folk literature and art, and traditional knowledge, and promote the integrated development of cultural creativity, design service, and related industries. (The Ministry of Culture, the National Copyright Administration, and the State Intellectual Property Office are responsible for the various tasks based on the division of responsibilities)
- 60. Support enterprises that use intellectual property rights for overseas equity investment. (The State Intellectual Property Office, the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, and the State-Owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission are responsible for this task)
- 61. Actively participate in the formulation of international standards, and promote the standardization of innovative technologies with intellectual property. (The General Administration of Quality Supervision, the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, the State Intellectual Property Office, and the State Administration of Science, Technology and Industry for National Defense are responsible for this task)
- 62. Support research institutions and social organizations in their formulation of international standards for brand evaluation as well as their establishment of a brand value evaluation system. Support enterprises in establishing their brand management system, and encourage enterprises to acquire famous overseas brands. (The General Administration of Quality Supervision, the Ministry of Commerce, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, and the State-Owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission are responsible for this task)
- 63. Protect and pass on China's time-honored brands, and vigorously promote the global expansion of traditional Chinese medicine, food, and arts and crafts enterprises. (The Ministry of Commerce, the Ministry of Culture, and the National Health and Family Planning Commission are responsible for the various tasks based on the division of responsibilities)
- (vii) Strengthen open access to IP information.
- 64. Establish an information disclosure system for intellectual property created in projects with financial assistance. (The State Intellectual Property Office, the Ministry of Science and Technology, and the Ministry of Finance are responsible for this task)

- 65. Accelerate the implementation of the information disclosure system for the intellectual property of listed enterprises. (The China Securities Regulatory Commission, the State Intellectual Property Office, and the State Administration for Industry and Commerce are responsible for this task)
- 66. Regulate the procedures and content of IP information collection. (The State Intellectual Property Office, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, and the National Copyright Administration are responsible for this task)
- 67. Improve the information filing and announcement system for IP licensing. (The State Intellectual Property Office is responsible for this task)
- 68. Accelerate the construction of an interconnected public service platform for IP information to achieve free or low-cost access to basic information about patents, trademarks, copyrights, integrated circuit layout designs, new plant varieties, geographical indications, etc. (The State Intellectual Property Office, the National Development and Reform Commission, the Ministry of Agriculture, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the General Administration of Quality Supervision, the National Copyright Administration, and the State Forestry Administration are responsible for this task)
- 69. Increase IP information service outlets, and improve the public services network for IP information. (The State Intellectual Property Office, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, and the National Copyright Administration are responsible for this task)
- 70. Promote the opening and sharing of patent data resources, and improve the ability to use big data. Promptly release information about the patent examination process. (The State Intellectual Property Office and the National Development and Reform Commission are responsible for this task)
- IV. Strengthen Key Industries' Overseas IP Layout and Risk Prevention and Control
- (i) Strengthen key industries' overseas IP layout planning.
- 71. Work harder to transform innovative achievements into standards and patents, and promote the formation of an effective mechanism to link standard development and patent landscaping. Study

and formulate guidelines for the standard essential patent landscaping. (The General Administration of Quality Supervision, the State Intellectual Property Office, and the Ministry of Commerce are responsible for this task)

- 72. Establish a working mechanism for the development of the patent navigation industry around key fields such as strategic emerging industries, implement patent navigation projects for industry planning and enterprise operations, and draw a patent navigation map of relevant countries and regions to serve China's industrial development. (The State Intellectual Property Office, the National Development and Reform Commission, and the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology are responsible for this task)
- 73. Compile and publish practical guidelines for patent applications in relevant countries and regions. (The State Intellectual Property Office is responsible for this task)
- (ii) Expand overseas IP landscaping channels.
- 74. Push for enterprises, research institutions, and colleges and universities to jointly carry out overseas patent landscaping. Encourage enterprises to establish patent purchase and storage funds. (The State Intellectual Property Office, the Ministry of Education, the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Commerce, the State-Owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission, the Chinese Academy of Sciences, the State Administration of Science, Technology and Industry for National Defense, and the China Council for the Promotion of International Trade are responsible for this task)
- 75. Strengthen guidelines for enterprises' IP landscaping, and explore the establishment of an IP layout design center in industrial parks and key enterprises. (The State Intellectual Property Office, the Ministry of Science and Technology, the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, and the State-Owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission are responsible for this task)
- 76. Formulate category-specific guidelines for the transnational licensing and transfer of intellectual property, and draft and issue model contracts for IP licensing. (The State Intellectual Property Office and the Ministry of Commerce are responsible for this task)

- (iii) Improve the early warning system for overseas IP risks.
- 77. Establish a sound standard system for IP management and services. (The State Intellectual Property Office and the General Administration of Quality Supervision are responsible for this task)
- 78. Support industry associations and professional agencies in tracking and publishing key industries' IP information and competitive dynamics. Formulate and perfect country-specific guidelines in response to IP-related trade investigation and risk prevention and control. Perfect an overseas IP information service platform, and release information about the institutional environment of relevant countries and regions for intellectual property. Establish and improve the mechanism for submitting information about enterprises' overseas IP issues and cases, strengthen the follow-up study of major IP cases, and release risk warnings in a timely manner. (The Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, the Ministry of Commerce, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the State Intellectual Property Office, and the China Council for the Promotion of International Trade are responsible for the various tasks based on the division of responsibilities)
- (iv) Improve the ability to prevent and control overseas IP risks.
- 79. Study and improve the relevant management system for technology import and export, and optimize and simplify the approval process for technology import and export. (The Ministry of Commerce is responsible for this task)
- 80. Improve the management system for the external transfer and exclusive licensing of intellectual property created in science and technology projects with financial assistance. (The Ministry of Commerce and the Ministry of Science and Technology take the lead, and the Ministry of Finance and the State Intellectual Property Office are responsible for this task)
- 81. Formulate and implement standards for due diligence investigations. Support legal service agencies in providing enterprises with comprehensive and high-quality IP legal services. (The Ministry of Justice, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the National Copyright Administration, and the State Intellectual Property Office are responsible for this task)

- 82. Explore the use of notarization for authenticating IP documentation and materials. (The Ministry of Justice, the Supreme People's Court, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the National Copyright Administration, and the State Intellectual Property Office are responsible for this task)
- 83. Push for enterprises to establish IP analysis and appraisal mechanisms, carry out IP risk assessment with a focus on activities such as talent introduction, attending international exhibitions, and the import and export of products and technology, and improve enterprises' ability to handle international IP disputes. (The State Intellectual Property Office and the Ministry of Commerce take the lead, and the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, the State-Owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission, and the China Council for the Promotion of International Trade are responsible for this task)
- (v) Strengthen aid for overseas IP rights protection.
- 84. Formulate and implement policies to deal with major overseas IP disputes. (The Ministry of Commerce and the State Intellectual Property Office take the lead, and the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, the General Administration of Customs, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the General Administration of Quality Supervision, the National Copyright Administration, and the China Council for the Promotion of International Trade are responsible for this task)
- 85. Study and designate personnel in international organizations and the diplomatic bodies of major countries and regions to handle IP-related affairs. (The State Commission Office for Public Sector Reform, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Commerce, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the State Intellectual Property Office, and the China Council for the Promotion of International Trade are responsible for the various tasks based on the division of responsibilities)
- 86. Publish a directory of overseas and foreign-related agencies that provide IP services and rights protection aid, and promote the formation of an overseas IP service network. (The Ministry of Commerce, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the State Intellectual Property Office, and the China Council for the Promotion of International Trade are responsible for the various tasks based on the division of responsibilities)

- V. Improve the Level of Sino-Foreign IP Cooperation
- (i) Push for the establishment of fairer and more reasonable international IP rules.
- 87. Actively participate in the development agenda under the United Nations framework; promote the implementation of the TRIPS Agreement and Public Health Doha Declaration and the implementation of the Beijing Treaty on Audiovisual Performances; participate in international negotiations for revising the Patent Cooperation Treaty rules, the International Convention for the Protection of Broadcasting Organizations, and the Convention on Biological Diversity; and accelerate the process of joining the Hague Agreement concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs and the Marrakesh Treaty. (The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Environmental Protection, the Ministry of Agriculture, the Ministry of Commerce, the General Administration of Customs, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the National Copyright Administration, the State Forestry Administration, the State Intellectual Property Office, and the China Council for the Promotion of International Trade are responsible for the various tasks based on the division of responsibilities)
- (ii) Strengthen the construction of a mechanism for Sino-foreign IP cooperation.
- 88. Strengthen cooperation and communicates with the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), the World Trade Organization (WTO), and other relevant international organizations. Deepen cooperation with the IP, trade, customs and other departments of major countries, and consolidate friendly relations with China's traditional partners. (The State Intellectual Property Office, the Ministry of Commerce, and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs take the lead, and the Ministry of Agriculture, the Ministry of Culture, the General Administration of Customs, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the General Administration of Quality Supervision, the National Copyright Administration, the State Forestry Administration, and the China Council for the Promotion of International Trade are responsible for this task)
- 89. Push for relevant international organizations to establish IP arbitration and mediation sub-centers in China. (The State Intellectual Property Office, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and the Ministry of Justice are responsible for this task)

- 90. Strengthen cooperation in protecting well-known domestic and foreign products of geographical indication, and promote the international development of products of geographical indication. (The Ministry of Agriculture, the Ministry of Commerce, the General Administration of Customs, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, and the General Administration of Quality Supervision are responsible for the various tasks based on the division of responsibilities)
- 91. Actively promote IP cooperation under the framework of the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) and the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC). (The Ministry of Commerce, the State Intellectual Property Office, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the General Administration of Quality Supervision, and the National Copyright Administration are responsible for this task)
- 92. Explore the establishment of IP cooperation mechanisms with countries and regions along the "One Belt, One Road." (The State Intellectual Property Office and the Ministry of Commerce take the lead, and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the National Development and Reform Commission, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the General Administration of Quality Supervision, the National Copyright Administration, and the China Council for the Promotion of International Trade are responsible for this task)
- (iii) Increase IP aid for developing countries.
- 93. Assist developing countries' IP capacity building, and encourage the practice of preferentially licensing some least developed countries the patented technologies most needed for their development. (The State Intellectual Property Office, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Science and Technology, and the Ministry of Commerce are responsible for this task)
- 94. Strengthen the IP academic education and short-term training designed for developing countries. (The State Intellectual Property Office, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Education, the Ministry of Human Resources and Social Security, and the Ministry of Commerce are responsible for this task)

- (iv) Broaden IP public diplomatic channels.
- 95. Broaden the channels for enterprises to participate in the revision of international and regional IP rules. Push for domestic service agencies and industry alliances to strengthen cooperation and communication with relevant foreign organizations. (The State Intellectual Property Office, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, the Ministry of Commerce, and the China Council for the Promotion of International Trade are responsible for this task)
- 96. Establish an IP seminar mechanism under the Boao Forum for Asia, and actively hold IP seminars with international influence. (The State Intellectual Property Office and the Ministry of Commerce are responsible for this task)
- 97. Establish a world-class IP think tank. (The State Intellectual Property Office is responsible for this task)
- VI. Strengthen Policy Support
- (i) Increase taxation and financial support.
- 98. Use fiscal funds to guide and promote the transformation of scientific and technological achievements into intellectual property as well as the industrialization of intellectual property. (The State Intellectual Property Office, the Ministry of Science and Technology, and the Ministry of Finance are responsible for this task)
- 99. Implement a policy for the pre-tax deduction of R&D expenses for IP expenses that are in line with the relevant stipulations. (The Ministry of Finance and the State Administration of Taxation are responsible for this task)

- 100. Work out measures to reduce patent fees and reasonably lower the cost for patent applications and maintenance. (The Ministry of Finance, the National Development and Reform Commission, and the State Intellectual Property Office are responsible for this task)
- 101. Actively promote the work of overseas IP infringement liability insurance. (The China Insurance Regulatory Commission and the State Intellectual Property Office are responsible for this task)
- 102. Intensively carry out pilot programs for establishing an IP pledge financing risk compensation fund and an IP operation fund for key industries. (The Ministry of Finance and the State Intellectual Property Office take the lead, and the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology is responsible for this task)
- (ii) Strengthen the building of IP professionals.
- 103. Strengthen the building of IP-related disciplines, improve the joint training methods of enterprises, universities, and research institutes, set up a new IP major in Management Science and Economics, and strengthen education for the IP degree. Intensify IP training for various types of innovative talent. (The Ministry of Education and the State Intellectual Property Office are responsible for this task)
- 104. Encourage all localities to introduce high-end IP talent, and give corresponding treatment based on relevant talent introduction plans. Explore and establish an international IP talent pool and an information platform for spotting IP talent. (The Organization Department of the Communist Party of China and State Intellectual Property Office are responsible for this task)
- 105. Encourage China's IP personnel to obtain corresponding overseas qualification certificates. Further improve the IP professional level evaluation system, and stabilize and expand the team of IP professionals. Select and train a group of IP entrepreneurship mentors to strengthen the guidance for young entrepreneurs. (The State Intellectual Property Office and the Ministry of Human Resources and Social Security are responsible for this task)

## (iii) Strengthen publicity and guidance.

106. Extensively carry out universal education on intellectual property, strengthen IP publicity and counseling services for the benefit of the public, and improve public awareness of intellectual property. (The Publicity Department of the Communist Party of China, the State Intellectual Property Office, the Ministry of Education, the Ministry of Culture, the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, the National Copyright Administration, and the Office of the Central Leading Group for Cyberspace Affairs are responsible for this task)