

**CHINA – MEASURES AFFECTING TRADING RIGHTS AND
DISTRIBUTION SERVICES FOR CERTAIN PUBLICATIONS
AND AUDIOVISUAL ENTERTAINMENT PRODUCTS**

Status Report by China

Addendum

The following communication, dated 12 March 2012, from the delegation of China to the Chairperson of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated pursuant to Article 21.6 of the DSU.

Status Report Regarding Implementation of the
DSB Recommendations and Rulings in the Dispute
China – Measures Affecting Trading Rights and Distribution Services
for Certain Publications and Audiovisual Entertainment Products
(WT/DS363)

China submits this report in accordance with Article 21.6 of the *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes*.

At its meeting on 19 January 2010, the DSB adopted the Appellate Body report and the Panel Report, as modified by the Appellate Body Report on *China — Measures Affecting Trading Rights and Distribution Services for Certain Publications and Audiovisual Entertainment Products* (WT/DS363). On 18 February 2010, China informed the DSB of its intention to implement the recommendations and rulings of the DSB in connection with this matter. On 12 July 2010, China and the United States informed the DSB that they had agreed that the reasonable period of time for China to implement the recommendations and rulings of the DSB shall be 14 months from the date of adoption of the Appellate Body and panel reports.

China has taken necessary measures to implement the recommendations and rulings of the DSB. These measures include the repeal or expiry of

- *Measures for Administration of Foreign-Invested Book, Periodical and Newspaper Distribution Enterprises,*
- *Measures for Administration of Sino-foreign Distribution Contractual Joint Ventures of Audiovisual Products,*
- *Provisions on the Administration of Publishing Electronic Publications, etc.*

and the amendments to

- *Regulations on the Management of Publications,*
- *Regulations on the Management of Audiovisual Products,*
- *Provisions on the Administration of the Publications Market,*
- *Catalogue of Industries for Guiding Foreign Investment,*
- *Measures for Administration of Subscription of Imported Publications by Subscribers,*
- *Measures on the Administration of Importation of Audiovisual Products,*
- *Several Opinions of the Ministry of Culture on Development and Administration of Network Music, etc.*

Through those steps, China has ensured full implementation of the DSB's recommendations and rulings, except those concerning film for theatrical release.

As regard to the measures concerning film for theatrical release, China had been discussing with the United States and recently arrived at an agreement toward resolving the matter. It would be signed soon and notified to the DSB.
