Editorial Note

Members of a delegation from the People's Republic of China presented the following papers at the Conference entitled "Public-Private Initiatives After TRIPS: Designing A Global Agenda," which was held in Brussels, Belgium in 1997. These papers are published here to provide a historical look at the status and transition of intellectual property rights in the People's Republic of China at that time. However, the papers are not intended to provide a comprehensive analysis of such rights, and they do not necessarily reflect the opinions and policies of the government of the People's Republic of China.

While the individual papers have been reproduced as closely as possible to the original form in which they were presented at the Conference, some formatting and grammatical changes were necessary to assist the reader and provide clarity.

The Editors