

DECREE #12,551, OF JULY 14, 2025

Regulates Law #15,122 of April 11, 2025, which establishes criteria for the suspension of trade concessions, investments, and obligations related to intellectual property rights in response to unilateral measures adopted by a country or economic bloc that negatively impact Brazil's international competitiveness.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC, in the use of the powers conferred upon him by Article 84, *caput*, Item IV, of the Brazilian Constitution, and in view of the provisions of Law No.15,122, of April 11, 2025,

DECREES AS FOLLOWS:

Chapter I - Preliminary Provisions

Article 1. This Decree regulates [Law #15,122, of April 11, 2025](#), which establishes criteria for the suspension of trade concessions, investments, and obligations related to intellectual property rights in response to unilateral measures adopted by a country or economic bloc that negatively impact Brazil's international competitiveness.

Chapter II - On The Interministerial Committee on Economic and Trade Negotiations and Countermeasures

Article 2. The Interministerial Committee on Economic and Trade Negotiations and Countermeasures is hereby established. It is a deliberative and executive body linked to the Ministry of Development, Industry, Trade and Services, with the authority to:

- I - deliberate on the possibility of adopting the provisional countermeasures referred to in [Article 6 of Law #15,122, of April 11, 2025](#); and
- II - monitor negotiations aimed to overcoming unilateral measures imposed to the detriment of Brazil's international competitiveness.

Article 3. The Interministerial Committee on Economic and Trade Negotiations and Countermeasures shall be composed of the following members:

- I - The Minister of State for Development, Industry, Trade and Services, who shall preside over it;
- II - The Chief Minister of the Civil House of the Presidency of the Republic;
- III - The Minister of State for Finance; and
- IV - The Minister of State for Foreign Affairs.

§1 In their absence or impediment, the Ministers of State referred to in the *caput* may be represented on the Interministerial Committee on Economic and Trade Negotiations and Countermeasures by their legal substitutes.

§2 The Executive Secretariat of the Interministerial Committee on Economic and Trade Negotiations and Countermeasures shall be exercised by the Executive Secretariat of the Ministry of Development, Industry, Trade and Services.

§3 The quorum for meetings and decisions of the Interministerial Committee on Economic and Trade Negotiations and Countermeasures shall be a simple majority.

§4 In the event of a tie, in addition to the regular vote, the President of the Interministerial Committee on Economic and Trade Negotiations and Countermeasures shall have the casting vote.

§5 Other Ministers of State may be invited to participate in the meetings of the Interministerial Committee on Economic and Trade Negotiations and Countermeasures, depending on the thematic relevance of the matters under examination.

Chapter III - On the Entities Authorized to Propose the Adoption of Countermeasures

Article 4. The following entities are authorized to propose requests for the adoption of countermeasures referred to in [Law #15,122, of April 11, 2025](#):

- I - the members of the Interministerial Committee on Economic and Trade Negotiations and Countermeasures; and
- II - the members of the Executive Management Committee of the Foreign Trade Chamber – Camex.

Chapter IV - On the Procedure for Provisional Countermeasures

Article 5. The request to be submitted to the Interministerial Committee on Economic and Trade Negotiations and Countermeasures must include a preliminary justification regarding the exceptional nature of proposed provisional countermeasures based on [Art. 2](#) and [Art. 6 of Law #15,122, of April 11, 2025](#).

Article 6. The Executive Secretariat of the Interministerial Committee on Economic and Trade Negotiations and Countermeasures shall share the received request with:

- I - the Ministry of Development, Industry, Trade and Services, for:
 - a) assessment of the commercial and sectoral effects of the unilateral measures on the competitiveness of national economic sectors; and
 - b) proposal, where applicable, of provisional countermeasures to be adopted;
- II - the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, for:
 - a) analysis of the effects of unilateral measures on diplomatic relations, as well as any violations of any international commitments undertaken by the Federative Republic of Brazil; and
 - b) proposal, where applicable, of provisional countermeasures to be adopted;
- III - the Ministry of Finance, for:
 - a) assessment of the economic effects of the unilateral measures on the competitiveness of national economic sectors; and
 - b) proposal, where applicable, of provisional countermeasures to be adopted.

Sole paragraph. The Executive Secretariat of the Interministerial Committee on Economic and Trade Negotiations and Countermeasures may consult representatives of the private sector and other federal public administration bodies with relevant competencies in the matter.

Article 7. Upon completion of the procedure referred to in Art. 6, the Executive Secretariat of the Interministerial Committee on Economic and Trade Negotiations and Countermeasures shall

submit to its members a proposal for the adoption of the provisional countermeasures referred to in [Art. 6 of Law #15,122 of April 11, 2025](#).

Article 8. Once the countermeasure is approved by resolution, the Interministerial Committee on Economic and Trade Negotiations and Countermeasures shall take the necessary steps for its implementation.

§1 In the event of the adoption of provisional countermeasures referred to in the *caput*, the ordinary procedure for deliberation on definitive countermeasures shall be initiated, based on the proposal of the Interministerial Committee on Economic and Trade Negotiations and Countermeasures, with the steps provided for in Art. 9 to Art. 11 being waived.

§2 The Interministerial Committee on Economic and Trade Negotiations and Countermeasures may determine the adoption, amendment, or suspension of the provisional countermeasures at any time.

Chapter V - On the Procedure for Ordinary Countermeasures

Article 9. The request for the adoption of the countermeasures referred to in [Art. 3](#), [Art. 9](#), [Art. 10](#) and [Art. 11 of Law #15,122, of April 11, 2025](#), shall be submitted in writing to the Executive Secretariat of Camex, and must include:

- I - identification of the unilateral measures adopted by another country or economic bloc that negatively affect Brazil's international competitiveness, and their classification under the scenarios provided in [Art. 2 of Law #15,122, of April 11, 2025](#);
- II - designation of the economic sectors affected within the Federative Republic of Brazil; and
- III - an estimate of the economic impact caused by the actions, policies, or practices referred to in item I.

Article 10. The Executive Secretariat of Camex shall share the request with the members of the Executive Management Committee of Camex and may consult other federal public administration bodies with relevant competencies in the matter.

Article 11. It is the responsibility of the Executive Secretariat of Camex to prepare, in coordination with the members of the Executive Management Committee of Camex and other federal public administration bodies with relevant competencies in the subject matter of the request, within a period of up to thirty days, extendable for an equal period, a report on the classification of the case under the scenarios provided in [Art. 2 of Law #15,122, of April 11, 2025](#), and to submit it for deliberation by the Executive Management Committee of Camex.

Sole paragraph. The Executive Management Committee of Camex will deliberate, within a period of up to thirty days, extendable for an equal period, on the classification of the request under the scenarios provided in [Article 2 of Law #15,122, of April 11, 2025](#), and on the consequent possibility of adopting the countermeasures.

Article 12. In the event of a positive determination regarding the classification of the request under the scenarios provided in [Art. 2 of Law #15,122, of April 11, 2025](#), a working group may be established, coordinated by Camex and composed of representatives of all its members, for the purpose of drafting a proposal for applicable countermeasures.

§1 The following may be invited to participate in the meetings of the working group referred to in the *caput*:

- I - representatives of federal public administration bodies with relevant competencies in the matter; and

II - representatives of the private sector.

§2 The working group shall present a proposal for countermeasures for deliberation by the Executive Management Committee of Camex and subsequent submission to the Strategic Council of Camex.

Article 13. A preliminary proposal for the adoption of countermeasures shall be submitted by the Executive Management Committee of Camex to public consultation, for a period of up to thirty days, with the aim of obtaining input from interested parties and potentially affected trade partners.

Sole paragraph. Additional public consultations may be conducted at the discretion of the Executive Management Committee of Camex.

Article 14. Upon conclusion of the public consultation or the activities of the working group referred to in Article 12, the Executive Secretariat of Camex shall submit the countermeasure proposal for deliberation by the Executive Management Committee of Camex.

Article 15. It is the responsibility of the Strategic Council of Camex to deliberate on the adoption of the countermeasures referred to in [Art. 3, Art. 9, Art. 10 and Art. 11 of Law #15,122, of April 11, 2025](#), within a period of sixty days, extendable for an equal period, counted from the date of submission by the Executive Management Committee of Camex.

Sole paragraph. The adoption of the countermeasures referred to in the *caput* may be postponed by the Strategic Council of Camex, depending on the progress of the diplomatic negotiations referred to in [Art. 4 of Law #15,122, of April 11, 2025](#).

Chapter VI - On Diplomatic Consultations and the Monitoring of the Effects of Countermeasures

Article 16. From the moment the request is shared by the Executive Secretariat of Camex or, in the case of a provisional countermeasure, by the Executive Secretariat of the Interministerial Committee on Economic and Trade Negotiations and Countermeasures, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs shall notify the affected trade partner at each stage of the process, especially upon the adoption of countermeasures, and shall initiate the diplomatic consultations referred to in [Art. 4 of Law #15,122, of April 11, 2025](#).

Article 17. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs shall conduct diplomatic consultations, in coordination with the Ministry of Development, Industry, Trade and Services, and, when applicable, in consultation with other member bodies of Camex with relevant competencies in the matter, with a view to mitigating or nullifying the effects of the measures adopted by the trade partner and of the countermeasures in force.

Article 18. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs shall periodically submit to the Executive Management Committee of Camex a report on the progress of the diplomatic negotiations.

Article 19. The Executive Secretariat of Camex shall periodically request from the competent bodies reports monitoring the effects of the countermeasures adopted pursuant to [Law #15,122, of April 11, 2025](#), and shall submit them to the Executive Management Committee of Camex.

Article 20. The Executive Management Committee of Camex may submit to the Strategic Council of Camex a proposal for the amendment or suspension of definitive countermeasures at any time.

Sole paragraph. The Executive Management Committee of Camex may establish a working group to draft a proposal for amendment or suspension of a countermeasure in force.

Chapter VII - Final Provisions

Article 21. The Strategic Council of Camex, the Executive Management Committee of Camex, and the Interministerial Committee on Economic and Trade Negotiations and Countermeasures may issue complementary regulations to this Decree, within the scope of their respective competencies.

Article 22. This Decree enters into force on the date of its publication.

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