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Explain India's position on the waiver of intellectual property rights on COVID-19 vaccines in WTO.

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India-South Africa 2020

Joint communication at the WTO TRIPS Council seeking a waiver for COVID-19 health technologies.

TRIPS

WTO intellectual-property agreement whose patent rules were the target of the waiver.

Doha 2001

Declaration on TRIPS and public health, cited as the precedent that IP should not block medicines in a crisis.

Compulsory licensing

Existing TRIPS flexibility that India argued was insufficient for simultaneous global scale-up.

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