ECONOMIC AND TRADE AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND
THE PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF CHINA
FACT SHEET

TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

The Phase One economic and trade agreement signed by the United States and China on January 15, 2020, addresses certain acts, policies, and practices of China identified in the Section 301 investigation related to technology transfer, intellectual property, and innovation. For instance, the parties have agreed to:

- Prohibit the forcing or pressuring of foreign companies to transfer their technology as a condition for market access, administrative approvals, or receipt of any advantages.

- Require that any transfer or licensing of technology be based on market terms that are voluntary and reflect mutual agreement.

- Prohibit state-directed or supported outbound investment aimed at acquiring foreign technology in sectors and industries targeted by a party’s industrial policies.

- Ensure that enforcement and administrative proceedings are impartial, fair, transparent, and non-discriminatory.