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https://www.100test.com/kao_ti2020/535/2021_2022_2009_E5_B9_B4_E8_80_83_c73_535510.htm A court case involving counterfeits and China is nothing new except this time , it is the Chinese company that is doing the suing . In February Netac , a company based in Shenzhen , took PNY Technologies of New Jersey to court in Texas and so became , it is thought , the first mainland firm to sue an American one for patent infringement . Netac claims that PNY has infringed its patent for external flash-memory storage devices , also known as " flash drives " or " key drives " . which have replaced floppy disks as the easiest way to carry data around . It is seeking " significant " (though unspecified)financial damages

- . The Chinese company obtained a Chinese patent for its technology in 2002 and an American one in 2004. PNY, it says, infringed the later patent, stunting Netac, a growth in the American market for flash drives, which is worth more than \$2 billion a year and growing fast. Litigation, alongside memory chips, appears to be turning into a bit of a speciality for Netac
- . Over the past three years , the firm has brought patent suits against Hua Qi , a Beijing-based local competitor ; Acer of Taiwan ; and Sony of Japan . Hua Qi lost , but is appealing Acer has settled ; and the Sony suit is ongoing . On the other hand , 19 international manufacturers have protested that Netac 's patents are too broad , though around ten others , including Samsung Electronics of South Korea , have been happy to license its

technology. Netac is likely to prove a harbinger. As Chinese companies develop their own patents, copyrights and trademarks and seek to protect them, China as a whole will become more sensitive to the protection and enforcement of intellectual property rights(IPR). "It is an encouraging sign that Chinese companies have become mature in using IPR to protect their interests, "Hu Zuochao, vice-president of the Patent Protection Association of China, told the Chinese media. If China is indeed taking intellectual property more seriously, that could also be good for foreign investors. The American government estimates that Chinese violations of foreigners 'IPR cost international firms at least\$60 billion a year as much as the entire annual foreign direct investment into China. But comments such as Mr. Hu's may also be a signal of what Lester Ross, a lawyer in Beijin9, calls a rising tide of "techno-nationalism". He predicts growing security fears and resentment over foreigners earning royalties from technology that China could produce itself. This will drive many more Chinese firms to sue foreign ones over patent rights, thinks Mr. Ross who points out that Chinese firms are increasingly confident about using the American courts to fight contract and payment disputes. New Chinese interest in the protection of intellectual property might help foreigners. Then again, it could just mean higher legal bills. [456 words] 1. It is implied in the text that_____ . A . China 's IPR has been seriously infringed by foreigners B. Netac is the only Chinese company to sue an American company C. the odds are against Netac, which is suing

PNY for its infringement D. few Chinese companies attempted to legally protect its IPR in the past 2. According to the text , Netac_____ . A . has won the distinction of speciality for litigation B . has lost\$2 billion because of its patent being infringed C . has produced the most advanced flash drives in the world D . has more competitors in IT industry than any other company in China 3 . It is predicted that _____for patent infringement . A . Netac is to sue more foreign companies B. more Chinese companies will sue foreign companies C. American government will support Netac to sue PNY D. China has become more sensitive to foreign investors 4 . It seems that foreign investors might take a attitude towards China s protection of its IPR . A . critical B . doubtful C . positive D . negative 5. It can be inferred from the text that China_____. A . discovers the virtues of intellectual property B . scarcely violates foreigners 'intellectual property rights C . strictly protects the IPR of the technology it produces D . strictly protects the IPR of foreign investors in China 难句透析 A court case[involving counterfeits and China] is nothing new except this time, it is the Chinese company that is doing the suing . 【结构】方括号所标示的现在 分词短语 "involving counterfeits and China "是 "case"的后置 定语。下划线所标示的" it is...that..."是强调句型。 】一场涉及假冒产品以及中国在内的诉讼案并不是什么稀奇 的事,但是这次提出诉讼的是中国公司。 Netac claims[that PNY has infringed its patent for external flash memory storage devices, also known as "flash drives" or "key drives", (which have replaced floppy disks as the easiest way to carry data around)]

【结构】方括号所标示的"that PNY...around"是"claims "的宾语从句。圆括号所标示的"which...around"是 "storage devices"的后置定语从句。斜体字所标示的过去分 词短语 "also known as'flash drives'or key drives"是"storage devices"的后置定语。【释义】朗科科技公司说,美国PNY 公司的机外闪存装置,也称之为"闪驱"或"钥匙式磁碟" , 侵犯了其专利。这种闪存已取代软盘, 成了携带资料的最 便利方式。 On the other hand, 19 international manufacturers have protested[that Netac 'S patents are too broad], [though around ten others, including Samsung Electronics of South Korea , have been happy to license its technology]. 【结构】方括号所 标示的 "that Netac's...broad"是"have protested"的宾语从 句。方括号所标示的"though... technology"是整句的让步状 语从句。这个让步状语从句中的主语是 " around ten others " , 谓语动词是"have been"。【释义】另一方面, 19家外国 公司提出了抗议,认为朗科的专利适用面过宽。不过,包括 韩国三星电子在内的大约10家公司乐于承认其技术专利。

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"estimates"的宾语从句。【释义】美国政府估计,中国每年侵犯外国知识产权的行为给跨国公司造成的损失达600亿美元,相当于外商对华一年的直接投资额。 He predicts growing security fears and resentment over foreigners earning royalties from technology[that China could produce itself]. 【结

构】谓语动词"predicts"后面跟有两个用"and"连接的并列的宾语"9rowing security fears"和"resentment...produce itself"。现在分词"growin9"用做定语,修饰"security fears"和"resentment"。方括号所标示的"that China could produce itself"是"technology"的后置定语从句。【释义】他预言中国公司对安全的担心会日益增长,对外国人靠中国人本可以自己开发的技术而赚取技术版税的不满将日益高涨。100Test下载频道开通,各类考试题目直接下载。详细请访问www.100test.com