

11 August 2023

NOTICE TO RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS

Dear Sir/Ma'am:

This refers to the draft regulations distributed through the World Trade Organization – Technical Barriers to Trade (WTO-TBT) website (www.epingalert.org) from 29 to 04 August 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the two (2) notified draft technical regulations from Botswana and United States:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/B/WA/171	Botswana	<p>Date of Distribution: 3 August 2023</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: 30 January 2024</p>	Standards and regulations	<p>These Regulations shall apply to:</p> <p>a. Procedures for inspection, testing and certification of products that are imported into Botswana in a manner consistent with the provisions of the TBT Annex to the SADC Trade Protocol and the WTO/TBT Agreement Principles;</p> <p>b. Procedures for inspection, testing and certification of products that are locally manufactured in Botswana in a manner consistent with the provisions of the TBT Annex to the SADC Trade Protocol and the WTO/TBT Agreement Principles; and</p> <p>c. the protection for human safety or health, environmental protection, legitimate security interests and prevention of deceptive practices.</p>
G/TBT/10.7/N/170	United States	<p>Date of Distribution: 31 July 2023</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated</p>	Agreement reached by a Member with another country or countries on issues related to technical regulations, standards or	This agreement facilitates the exchange of official good manufacturing practice documents between the United States and Switzerland and reliance on the factual findings of such documents.

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- International Organization for Standardization (ISO)
- International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC)
- World Trade Organization (WTO) Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT)
 - National Enquiry Point (NEP)
 - National Notification Authority (NNA)

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To access the notification form, right click the document symbol to open the hyperlink. Should you have any queries on this matter or request for full text of draft regulation in English, please do not hesitate to email us at BPS@dti.gov.ph copy bps.smd@dti.gov.ph.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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