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This publication seeks to provide cohesive information in a weekly basis on the
foreign notifications of the WTO members under the TBT agreement on their
notified technical regulations and conformity assessment procedures.

Philippine exporters and relevant stakeholders are invited to review the proposed regulations. Comments that will be received by the BPS will be transmitted to the governments concerned for their consideration.

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A total of 43 notifications on Agriculture, Chemicals, Domestic and Commercial Equipment, Entertainment, Sports, Food and Beverages, Health Care Technology etc. from China, the European Union, Japan, The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu the United States of America and other countries are listed.

We would like to hear from you. For any questions, suggestions or requests for full text of notified regulations, please contact us at <u>bps@dti.gov.ph</u>

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	List of WTO TBT NOTIFICATIONS (13 – 19 January 2018)						
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			AGRICULTU	RE			
ANIMAL FEEDING STUFFS	BRAZIL	18/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/BRA/786</u>	Animal feed products	10 March 2018		
				Draft Technical Regulation establishing Identity, Quality and Procedures for use in animal feed products from the food and animal industry.			
PESTICIDES AND OTHER AGROCHEMICALS	EUROPEAN UNION	18/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/EU/535</u>	Pesticides - Malathion The draft provides that malathion is restricted to uses in greenhouses with a permanent structure and that Member States have to withdraw authorisations for outdoor use of plant protection products containing that substance. This draft Regulation only concerns the placing on the market of this substance and does not affect the European Union or national Maximum Residue Levels (MRLs) for residues of the concerned pesticide.	60 days from notification		

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FERTILIZERS	JAPAN	18/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/JPN/583</u>	Fertilizer Currently ingredients derived from cattle, including gelatin and collagen, can be used for fertilizers provided that those ingredients undergo measures with regard to making prions inert or keeping livestock away from prion sources. Hereafter bovine hide gelatin and collagen are to be allowed for using as an	30 days from notification
				ingredient of fertilizers without taking these measures. In addition, for using bovine flesh-bone gelatin and collagen as an ingredient of fertilizers, additional measures to reduce infectivity are to be available.	
FERTILIZERS	JAPAN	18/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/JPN/584</u>	Fertilizer In order to use flesh-bone meal as an ingredient of fertilizers, taking measures to keep livestock away from them, such as adding designated materials, is required so that Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathy (TSE) should be prevented. Now five materials proved to be effective in keeping livestock away are to be newly designated.	30 days from notification
TOBACCO, TOBACCO PRODUCTS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT	UNITED STATES	17/01/2018	G/TBT/N/USA/1031/Add.7	Tobacco products - Addendum The Food and Drug Administration (FDA, the Agency, or we) is proposing to delay the effective date of certain portions of a final rule published in the Federal Register of 7 February 2017. In the Federal Register of 7 February 2017, we delayed until 21 March 2017, the effective date of the final rule. In the Federal Register of 20 March 2017, we further delayed the effective date of the final rule until 19 March 2018, and invited public comment on the rule. This action, if finalized, will delay until further notice the effective date of the portions of the final rule amending FDA's existing regulations describing the types of evidence that may be considered in determining a medical product's intended uses. FDA received a number of comments on the final rule that raise questions about the amendments to the existing medical product "intended use" regulations. FDA is proposing to delay the effective date of the amendments to the existing medical product "intended use" regulations to allow further consideration of the substantive issues raised in the comments received. This action, if finalized, will not further delay the effective date of the new regulation that describes the circumstances in which a product made or derived from tobacco that is intended for human consumption will be subject to regulation as a drug, device, or a combination product under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act).	5 February 2018

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FARMING AND FORESTRY	UNITED STATES	19/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/USA/1334</u>	Prohibited substances	19 March 2018
				This proposed rule would amend the National	
				List of Allowed and Prohibited Substances	
				(National List) provisions of the U.S.	
				Department of Agriculture's (USDA's) organic	
				regulations to implement recommendations	
				submitted to the Secretary of Agriculture (Secretary) by the National Organic Standards	
				Board (NOSB) . This rule proposes to change	
				the use restrictions for seventeen substances	
				allowed for organic production or handling on	
				the National List: Micronutrients;	
				chlorhexidine; parasiticides; fenbendazole;	
				moxidectin; xylazine; lidocaine; procaine;	
				methionine; excipients; alginic acid; flavors;	
				carnauba wax; chlorine; cellulose; colors; and,	
				glycerin. This rule also proposes to add sixteen new substances on the National List to be	
				allowed in organic production or handling:	
				Hypochlorous acid; magnesium oxide; squid	
				byproducts; activated charcoal; calcium	
				borogluconate; calcium propionate; injectable	
				vitamins, minerals, and electrolytes; kaolin	
				pectin; mineral oil; propylene glycol; acidified	
				sodium chlorite; zinc sulfate; potassium	
				lactate; and, sodium lactate. In addition, this	
				proposed rule would list the botanical	
				pesticide, rotenone, as a prohibited substance	
				in organic crop production. Finally, this proposed rule would remove ivermectin as an	
				allowed parasiticide for use in organic	
				livestock production.	
			AIRCRAFT AND SPACE VEH	IICLE ENGINEERING	
ON-BOARD EQUIPMENT AND	UNITED STATES	15/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/USA/1256/Corr.2</u>	Enhanced flight vision systems - Corrigendum	_
INSTRUMENTS				The FAA is correcting a final rule published on	
				13 December 2016. In that rule, the FAA	
				amended its regulations to allow operators to	
				use an enhanced flight vision system (EFVS) in lieu of natural vision to continue descending	
				from 100 feet above the touchdown zone	
				elevation (TDZE) to the runway and to land on	
				certain straight-in instrument approach	
				procedures (IAPs) under instrument flight rules	
				(IFR) . As part of the final rule, the FAA	
				revised appendix F to part 121 to provide	
				greater clarity on the checking requirements	
				for EFVS. In amending appendix F to part 121,	
				the FAA used amondatory instructions that	
				the FAA used amendatory instructions that	
				inadvertently misplaced new paragraph III(c) (5) . This document amends appendix F to part	

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			CHEMICA	LS	
SURFACE ACTIVE AGENTS	COLOMBIA	15/01/2018	G/TBT/N/COL/214/Add.3	Detergents and soaps - Addendum	_
				The Republic of Colombia hereby notifies a	
				draft amendment to Article 7, Conformity assessment procedure, of Resolution No. 689	
				of 3 May 2016 of the Ministry of Health and	
				Social Welfare and the Ministry of the	
				Environment and Sustainable Development,	
				"Adopting the Technical Regulation establishing the maximum levels of phosphorus	
				and the biodegradability of surfactants in	
				detergents and soaps, and introducing other	
				provisions", notified on 12 May 2016 by the World Trade Organization in document G/TBT/	
				N/COL/214/Add.1. Comments on the draft	
				amendment may be submitted until 15 April	
				2018.	
COSMETICS,	ECUADOR	17/01/2018	G/TBT/N/ECU/331/Add.1	Cosmetics, domestic hygiene products and	_
TOILETRIES				absorbent personal hygiene products - Addendum	
				By means of this Addendum No. 1, the	
				Republic of Ecuador advises that "Sanitary Technical Regulation for cosmetics, domestic	
				hygiene products and absorbent personal	
				hygiene products" notified in document	
				G/TBT/N/ECU/331 of 27 February 2017, has been issued pursuant to Resolution No. 6 of 17	
				February 2017 by the National Agency for	
				Sanitary Regulation, Control and Surveillance	
				(ARCSA), published in Official Journal No. 968 of 22 March 2017.	
WOOD-	KENYA	16/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/KEN/627</u>	Wood-protecting chemicals	11 March 2018
PROTECTING CHEMICALS				This Kenya Standard describes a field test	
				method for determining the relative	
				effectiveness of wood preservatives that are	
				applied by vacuum/pressure impregnation or other processes giving complete penetration in	
				order to prevent degradation of timber in	
				contact with soil micro-organisms. This meth-	
				od shall also be used in areas in which a ter- mite hazard exists	
			CONSTRUCTION MATERIA		
	CANADA	16/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/CAN/541</u>	Asbestos and products that contain asbestos	22 March 2018
MATERIALS				The proposed Regulations would prohibit the	
				import, sale and use of asbestos, and the man-	
				ufacture, import, sale and use of products	
				containing asbestos with a limited number of exclusions. In addition, the proposed	
				Regulations would not prohibit the use and	
				sale of asbestos and products containing	
				asbestos that were installed prior to the coming into force of the proposed Regulations	
				(such as asbestos and products containing	
				asbestos installed in buildings, civil	

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				engineering works, vehicles, ships, and airplanes).	
		DOMESTIC A	ND COMMERCIAL EQUIPMEN	T, ENTERTAINMENT, AND SPORTS	
PLAYGROUNDS	CHINA	18/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/CHN/1247</u>	Amusement device This standard specifies the general rules, as well as the basic safety requirements for materials and fasteners, design, manufacture and installation, use management and maintenance, and inspection of large-scale amusement device.	60 days from notification
COOKING RANG- ES, WORKING TABLES, OVENS AND SIMILAR APPLIANCES	THE SEP- ARATE CUS- TOMS TER- RITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU	15/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/TPKM/313</u>	Ventilators/Exhaust hoods In response to the concerns raised by consumers for the performance of kitchen ventilators to reduce cooking oil fume exposure resulted from our traditional cooking style, which is also significantly associated with lung cancer, the Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection (BSMI) proposes to revise the inspection standards for ventilators by adding the requirements for wind quantity as stated in Section 3.7 of CNS 3805, which specifies a minimum performance at 10 m3/ min for single blade and 11.6 m3/min for double blades. Labelling of the wind quantity is not required. However, where wind quantity is labelled, the test result shall not be lower than 95 percent of the labelled value.	29 January 2019
FURNITURE	UNITED STATES	19/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/USA/1323/Add.1</u>	Clothing storage units - Addendum The Consumer Product Safety Commission (Commission or CPSC) published an advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPR) regarding clothing storage unit (CSU) tip overs in the Federal Register on 30 November 2017. The ANPR invited the public to submit written comments during a 60-day comment period, beginning on the ANPR publication date. In response to a request for an extension of the comment period, the Commission is extending the comment period by 75 days.	14 April 2018
			ENERGY AND HEAT TRANS	SFER ENGINEERING	
SOLAR ENERGY ENGINEERING	MEXICO	17/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/MEX/317/Add.1</u>	Solar water heaters - Addendum Reply to the comments received on draft Mexican Official Standard PROY-NOM-027- ENER/SCFI-2016: Thermal performance, gas saving and safety requirements for solar water heaters and solar water heaters which use a liquefied petroleum gas or natural gas water heater as backup. Specifications, test methods and labelling.	_

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		E	NVIRONMENT, HEALTH PRO	TECTION, AND SAFETY	
FIRE-RESISTANCE OF BUILDING MATERIALS AND ELEMENTS	CHINA	18/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/CHN/1249</u>	Fire resistive coating for steel structure The standard specifies terminology and definition, classification and identification codes, technical requirements, test methods, inspection rules, marking, packaging, transportation and storage of fire resistive coating for steel structure.	60 days from notification
FIRE-FIGHTING	CHINA	18/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/CHN/1251</u>	Deluge alarm valves This standard specifies the terms and definitions, product classification and code, type designation, requirements, test methods, inspection rules, marking, packaging, transportation, and storage of deluge alarm valves of automatic sprinkler system.	60 days from notification
FIRE-FIGHTING	CHINA	18/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/CHN/1252</u>	Water flow indicator The standard specifies the requirements, test methods, inspection rules, marking, operating instruction, packaging, transportation and storage of the water flow indicator of automatic sprinkler system.	60 days from notification
			FOOD AND BE	/ERAGES	
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	19/01/2018	19/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/CHL/435</u>	Food The notified proposed amendments to the Food Health Regulations introduce a regulato- ry framework that takes into account the protection of the public through the use of messages which promote the consumption of certain foods and which are related to the benefits of foods and their composition for an individual's health. Some messages or descriptions on food, which are referred to as "functional", are not covered entirely by one regulation.	60 days from the date of notification
MATERIALS AND ARTICLES IN CONTACT WITH FOODSTUFFS	JAPAN	16/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/JPN/582</u>	Utensils, containers and packaging for food and food additives Improvement of sanitary regulations for utensils, containers and packaging for food and food additives considering international consistency. For greater transparency, this revision is also notified through SPS notification.	60 days from notification
POULTRY AND EGGS	MEXICO	17/01/2018	G/TBT/N/MEX/308/Add.2	Eggs and egg products - Addendum Mexico hereby notifies that Mexican Official Standard NOM-159-SSA1-2016: "Products and services. Eggs and egg products. Sanitary provisions and specifications. Test method" has been published as a final standard.	_

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FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	THE SEP- ARATE CUS- TOMS TER- RITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU	15/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/TPKM/283/Rev.1</u>	Food and relevant products - Revision The Food and Drug Administration, Ministry of Health and Welfare, proposes to amend the "Regulations Governing Traceability of Foods and Relevant Products" according to Paragraph 5 of Article 9 of the Act Governing Food and Safety Sanitation, which authorizes the central competent authority to prescribe matters to be recorded and other matters to be complied with for the traceability system. The amendments, proposed to enhance food safety and effective management, would require that food businesses shall establish traceability system information, including (1) labelling information of food containing ingredients of genetically modified organisms, (2) recalled products information, (3) returned products information, (4) inferior (including discarded items) products information, (5) inventory materials and products information, (6) pass expiry date products information. (The proposed amended text was highlighted in red in the attached documents.)	60 days from notification
MATERIALS AND ARTICLES IN CONTACT WITH FOODSTUFFS	UNITED STATES	19/01/2018	G/TBT/N/USA/1116/Add.6	Canned and bottled foods and beverages Addendum California's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment removes subdivisions (f) and (g) from section 25603.3, in title 27 of the California Regulations. These subdivisions became inoperative 30 December 2017.	_
MEAT, MEAT PRODUCTS AND OTHER ANIMAL PRODUCE	UNITED STATES	19/01/2018	G/TBT/N/USA/1310/Add.1	Pork carcasses - Addendum The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) is reopening the comment period on the notice requesting comments on revisions to the Unit- ed States Standards for Grades of Pork Car- casses (pork standards) published in the Feder- al Register (82 FR 48971) on 23 October 2017. The comment period for this notice closed on 22 December 2017. The revisions are intended to modernize the standards and meet stake- holder demands by segregating the popula- tion of commodity pork products into uniform groups (of similar quality, value, etc.) that can facilitate the production and marketing of pork and deliver certain eating expectations for the consumer.	19 March 2018
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	UNITED STATES	19/01/2018	G/TBT/N/USA/1314/Add.1	Food labelling - Addendum The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or we) is extending the comment period for the proposed rule that appeared in the Federal Register of 31 October 2017. We are taking this action in response to requests for an extension to allow interested persons additional time to submit comments.	19 March 2018

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			HEALTH CARE TE	CHNOLOGY	
MEDICAMENTS	CHINA	18/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/CHN/1253</u>	Drugs These measures are formulated to establish a drug quality management system in which marketing authorization holder is the first responsible person, to improve the quality and efficiency of drug registration, and to ensure the safety, effectiveness and quality of drug. Based on management process for review and approval of drug master file (DMF) in support of finished drug product application, these measures consist of seven parts, respectively, General Provisions, Responsibilities and Obligations, DMF Listing, Review and Approval of DMF in Support of Finished Drug Product Application, Alteration and Termination, Supervision and Management, Supplementary Articles.	60 days from notification
MEDICAMENTS	CHINA	18/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/CHN/1254</u>	Drugs Good Data and Record Management Practices (GDRP) include general provisions, quality management, personnel, basic requirements of data, system and supplementary provisions, which is applicable to drug development, man- ufacture, distribution, post-marketing surveil- lance and evaluation. The data in GDRP should be complete as well as attributable, legible, contemporaneous, original and accurate, commonly referred to as "ALCOA".	60 days from notification
MEDICAMENTS	CHINA	18/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/CHN/1255</u>	Drugs This announcement is formulated by reference to international advanced experience, which aims to optimize the review process of drug clinical study, strengthen the communication with applicants, and enhance the review quality and efficiency of drug clinical study. This announcement consists of four parts according to the review process of drug clinical study, including preparation and application of communication meeting, convening of the communication meeting, acceptance, review and approval of drug clinical study application and oth- er related items. In addition, the an- nouncement has three annexes, i.e. appli- cation form of communication meeting, re- quirement for materials of communication meeting and requirement for	60 days from notification
HEALTH CARE TECHNOLOGY	CHINA	18/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/CHN/1256</u>	Drug and medical devices Provisions for Overseas Inspection of Drugs and Medical Devices is applicable to the overseas development and production inspection of drugs and medical devices which are already	60 days from noti- fication

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				on the market or will be on the market in China. The provisions consist of 5 chapters and 35 articles. 5 Chapters including general provisions, determination of the inspection task, inspection, audit and processing, and supplementary articles. The provisions specify the initiation, inspection and follow-up treatment of overseas drug and medical device inspection.	
MEDICAMENTS	CHINA	18/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/CHN/1257</u>	Drugs This regulation is formulated in order to strengthen the supervision and administration of internet drug trading, standardize the behavior of internet drug trading and ensure the safety of public drug use. There are six chapters and fifty-seven articles in this regulation, including general principles, administration of internet drug sale, administration of internet drug transaction service platform, supervision and administration, legal liability and supplementary provisions.	60 days after circulation by the WTO Secretariat
MEDICAL	ECUADOR	17/01/2018	G/TBT/N/ECU/325/Add.2	Medical devices - Addendum	-
EQUIPMENT				By means of this Addendum No. 2, the Republic of Ecuador advises that "Sanitary Technical Regulation for medical devices", notified in document G/TBT/N/ECU/325 of 3 May 2016, has been issued pursuant to Resolution No. ARCSA-DE-033-2017-FMRH of 26 December 2017 by the National Agency for Sanitary Regulation, Control and Surveillance (ARCSA), published in Official Journal No. 156 of 9 January 2018.	
PHARMACEUTICS	THE SEP- ARATE CUS-	15/01/2018	G/TBT/N/TPKM/242/Add.1	Senna products - Addendum	_
	TOMS TER- RITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU			The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu would like to notify that "The use restrictions and labeling requirements of senna", as per G/TBT/N/ TPKM/242 on 1 August 2016, was promulgated on 9 January 2018 and will come into effect on 1 July 2018.	
			MATERIAL HANDLING	EQUIPMENTS	
COMPONENTS FOR CONVEYORS	CHINA	18/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/CHN/1258</u>	Passengers aerial ropeways This standard specifies the basic safety requirements for the design, manufacture, installation, inspection, use and management of the passenger aerial ropeways. This standard applies to reversible passenger aerial ropeways and circular passenger aerial ropeways.	60 days from notification

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	1		PETROLEUM AND RELAT	ED TECHNOLOGIES	
CRUDE PETROLEUM	CHINA	18/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/CHN/1248</u>	Crude oils This standard specifies the technical requirements and test methods, inspection rules, packaging, transportation and storage, and safety for crude oil.	60 days from notification
VOLUMETRIC EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENTS	MEXICO	16/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/MEX/389</u>	Meters and transformers The notified draft Mexican Official Standard applies to meters and measuring transformers used for settlement and billing purposes, and for measuring instantaneous values and power quality, which are factors in: (a) the determination of electrical energy costs (local marginal price); (b) the power market (related services); (c) the availability of controllable demand; (d) the physical network model; and/or (e) the evaluation of compliance with obligations and market rules. Exclusions The notified draft Mexican Official Standard establishes the minimum requirements for the regulation of the metrological characteristics of electric energy meters and instrument transformers, and the basic functions that have an impact on the measurements according to their application; it does not take into account other specifications or specific functional characteristics, such as design, technology and algorithms. In view of the above, in addition to compliance with this draft Standard, other applicable technical regulations authorized by the competent authority must be observed to ensure the correct use and performance of meters and instrument transformers.	60 calendar days after publication in the Official Journal
			ROAD VEHICLES E	NGINEERING	
TRANSMISSIONS, SUSPENSIONS	CHINA	18/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/CHN/1250</u>	Automobile wheels This standard specifies the identification, safety performance requirements and test methods of automobile wheels.	60 days from notification
ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT	THE SEP- ARATE CUS- TOMS TER- RITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU	19/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/TPKM/314</u>	Power supply products for automotive cigar lighter Power supply products for automotive cigar lighter are widely used to connect to electronic devices such as dashboard cameras or mobile phones. A survey of such products raised safety concerns in aspects of overheating, fire-resistance and others. With a view to protecting consumers from relevant hazards arising from use of such products and to protect the environment, the Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection (BSMI)	60 days from notification

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				proposes to regulate the safety, EMC and hazardous substances of power supply products for automotive cigar lighter. The inspection standards are CNS 14336-1 for safety, CNS 13438 for EMC and Section 5 of CNS 15663 for marking of presence of 6 hazardous substances. The conformity assessment procedure will be Registration of Product Certification (Module II Type Test + Module III Conformity to Type Declaration).	
COMMERCIAL VEHICLES	UNITED STATES	15/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/USA/1333</u>	Tractor-trailer Amends rules regarding the Phase 2 Greenhouse Gas Regulations.	5 February 2018
SE	RVICES, COMP	ANY ORGANIZA	TION, MANAGEMENT AND O	UALITY, ADMINISTRATION, TRANSPORT, SOCIOLO	IGY
QUALITY MANAGEMENT AND QUALITY ASSURANCE	BRAZIL	16/01/2018	G/TBT/N/BRA/785	Goods and products subject to sanitary surveillance This Resolution establishes the simplification of procedures for the importation of goods and products subject to Sanitary Surveillance. This Resolution amends the Resolutions of the Collegiate Board of Directors - RDC n° 46 of 18 May 2000, n° 81 of 5 November 2008, n° 58 of 17 December 2010, n° 68 of 28 March 2003 and n° 204 of 6 July 2005, aimed at simplifying procedures for the importation of goods and products subject to sanitary surveillance.	Not applicable
		TEL	ECOMMUNICATION, AUDIO, A	AND VIDEO ENGINEERING	
TELECOMMUNI- CATION TERMINAL EQUIPMENT	THE SEP- ARATE CUS- TOMS TER- RITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU	15/01/2018	G/TBT/N/TPKM/289/Add.1	Narrowband terminal equipment - Addendum The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu would like to notify that the "Technical Specifications for Narrowband Terminal Equipment of Mobile Broadband Business," as perG/TBT/N/ TPKM/289 on 14 September 2017, was promulgated on 10 January 2018 and came into effect on the same day.	_
TELECOMMUNI- CATION, AUDIO AND VIDEO ENGINEERING	VIET NAM	16/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/VNM/115</u>	 Products and goods with unsafe capability under management responsibility of Ministry of []Information and Communications This draft Circular specifies the List of products and goods with unsafe capability under management responsibility of Ministry of Information and Communications (the "List of Group 2 products and goods" for short); forms and principles for quality management of products and goods with unsafe capability. The draft Circular content is as follows: Article 1. Scope of regulations; Article 3. List of Group 2 products and goods; Article 4. Quality management for Group 2 products and goods; 	60 days from notification

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				 Article 5. Implementation; Annex I. List of information and communication products and goods subject to mandatory certification and declaration; Annex II. List of information and communication products and goods subject to mandatory declaration; Annex II. List of information and communication products and goods subject to mandatory declaration; This draft Circular specifies the List of products and goods with unsafe capability under management responsibility of Ministry of Information and Communications, which is in line with the Law on quality of products and goods. The List of products and goods is divided into 2 sub-lists, which are detailed in the Annex I and Annex II. Each sub-list has it own form and principles for mandatory quality management (i.e. certification and declaration), according to the Circular No.30/2011/TT-BTTTT dated 31 October 2011 specifying mandatory certification and declaration of products and goods in information technology and communications sector. 	
			WOOD TECHN	IOLOGY	
WOOD TECHNOLOGY PROCESSES	KENYA	16/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/KEN/626</u>	Wooden utility poles The standard covers the field inspection of in-service wooden utility poles to determine damage done by physical and/ or biological factors and the supplemental treatments to be used for prolonging the serviceability of the poles.	11 March 2018
WOOD, SAWLOGS AND SAWN TIMBER	KENYA	16/01/2018	<u>G/TBT/N/KEN/628</u>	Wood, sawlogs and sawn timber This standard specifies the requirements of wooden fence posts and accompanying rails and guy rods for purposes of general use and also covers recommendations on their use under ordinary conditions.	11 March 2018