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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 62 notifications on Chemicals, Environment, Health Protection, Safety, Food and Beverages, Health Care Technology, Metrology, Measurement, Physical Phenomena etc., from the Argentina, China, European Union, Uganda, 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 bps@dti.gov.ph

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List of WTO TBT NOTIFICATIONS (15 - 21 December 2018)

Product Sector	Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification Symbol	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
AGRICULTURE					
ANIMAL FEEDING STUFFS	BRAZIL	12/21/2018	G/TBT/N/BRA/786/Add.1	Animal feed products - Addendum <i>This addendum aims at informing that the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Food Supply-MAPA issued Technical Regulation 81, 19 December 2018, that sets the Identity, Quality and Procedures for use in animal feed products from the food and animal industry, which deals with the Ordinance 151, 27 December 2017, published in the Official Gazette on 10 January 2017 and notified under the document G/TBT/N/BRA/786 . This Technical Regulation shall enter into force on the date of its publication.</i>	—

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PESTICIDES AND OTHER AGROCHEMICALS	MÉXICO	12/21/2018	G/TBT/N/MEX/197/Add.3	<p>Pesticides - Addendum</p> <p><i>The MODIFICATION of numerals 5, 8, 9 and third, fourth and sixth paragraphs of the index section; 2.1, 2.6, 2.7, 2.9 to 2.11, 2.13, 4.1.3, 4.1.8, 5, 5.5, 5.9, 5.12, 6.2.8, 6.3.7, 7.3.8, 8, 8.1.1, 8.1.2, 8.1.8, 8.1.14, 8.2.2, 8.2.8, 8.3.2, 8.3.4, 8.3.7, 8.3.8, 9 and 9.1. one; as well as 3, 4, 6.2.1.3, 6.2.1.4 and 6.4, of Normative Annex 1; 1, of the Normative Annex 2 and the Informative Annex 4; and Addition of the numerals 3.1.25 to 3.1.27 of the Official Mexican Standard NOM-232-SSA1-2009 Pesticides: That establishes the requirements for packaging, packaging and labeling of grade products technical and for agricultural, forestry, livestock, gardening, urban, industrial and domestic use, published on April 13, 2010.</i></p>	—
CHEMICALS					
COSMETICS, TOILETRIES	CHINA	12/18/2018	G/TBT/N/CHN/1310	<p>Cosmetics</p> <p><i>The regulation stipulates the production, operation and supervision of cosmetics in China, involving cosmetics raw materials and products, production and operation, labelling and advertising, supervision and management, legal responsibilities and other content.</i></p>	60 days from notification
ORGANIC CHEMICALS	EUROPEAN UNION	12/18/2018	G/TBT/N/EU/635	<p>Children's toys</p> <p><i>This draft Commission Directive aims to include, in Appendix C to Annex II to Directive 2009/48/EC, limit values for formaldehyde in polymeric toy material, resin-bonded wood toy material, textile toy material, leather toy material, paper toy material and water-based toy material.</i></p>	60 days from notification
COSMETICS, TOILETRIES	EUROPEAN UNION	12/20/2018	G/TBT/N/EU/637	<p>Cosmetics</p> <p><i>This draft Commission Decision aims at establishing a glossary of common ingredient names for use in cosmetic products, to ensure uniform labelling and facilitate identification of cosmetic ingredients.</i></p>	60 days from notification
SURFACE ACTIVE AGENTS	MÉXICO	12/18/2018	G/TBT/N/MEX/399/Add.2	<p>Toilet products - Addendum</p> <p><i>The publication of the Official Mexican Standard NOM-189-SSA1 / SCFI-2018, Products and services. Labeling and packaging for household cleaning products.</i></p> <p><i>It will come into effect 12 months after December 13, 2018, the day it left published in the Official Gazette of the Federation.</i></p>	—

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COSMETICS, TOILETRIES	THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU	12/17/2018	G/TBT/N/TPKM/340/Corr.1	Cosmetics - Corrigendum <i>The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu would like to inform WTO Members that the contact information of Agency Responsible stated in Box 2 of the notification G/TBT/N/TPKM/340 shall be corrected as the following:</i> Food and Drug Administration Ministry of Health and Welfare No. 161-2, Kunyang St., Nangang District Taipei City 11561, Taiwan Tel.: (886-2) 2787-7562 E-mail: af9913@fda.gov.tw	—
COSMETICS, TOILETRIES	THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU	12/17/2018	G/TBT/N/TPKM/345	Cosmetic products <i>With a view to ensuring the safety of cosmetic ingredients for human health and complying with global cosmetic trends, the Ministry of Health and Welfare is proposing amendments to the regulatory requirements for the use of limited dosages of ingredients in cosmetic products.</i>	60 days from notification
PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY	UNITED STATES	12/17/2018	G/TBT/N/USA/1395/Add.3	Chemical substances - Addendum <i>EPA issued a proposed significant new use rule (SNUR) in the Federal Register of 17 September 2018 (FRL-9983-14) for 28 chemical substances. EPA is reopening the comment period because it received a request to extend the comment period but the request was received too late to publish an extension of the comment period before the comment period expired.</i>	09 January 2019
CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS AND BUILDING					
CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS	EUROPEAN UNION	12/18/2018	G/TBT/N/EU/634	Balustrade kits and railing kits <i>This draft delegated decision under the Construction Products Regulation (EU) No 305/2011 establishes the systems to be applied for assessing and verifying constancy of performance of balustrade kits and railing kits intended to be used in construction works solely to prevent falls and not submitted to vertical loads from the structure, in relation to their essential characteristics.</i>	60 days from notification
CEMENT, GYPSUM, LIME, MORTAR	INDONESIA	12/17/2018	G/TBT/N/IDN/15/Add.3	Cement - Addendum <i>Regulation of Minister of Industry No. 18/M-IND/PER/2/2012 as amended by Regulation of Minister of Industry No. 67/M-IND/PER/8/2014 has been replaced by Regulation of Minister of Industry No. 82/M-IND/PER/9/2015 concerning Mandatory Implementation of Indonesia National Standard for Cement. This regulation has been entered into force since 30 September 2015.</i>	—

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DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT, ENTERTAINMENT, SPORTS					
MISCELLANEOUS DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT	UNITED STATES	12/17/2018	G/TBT/N/USA/853/Add.1	<p>Cigarette lighters and other lighters - Addendum</p> <p><i>The Commission's safety standard for disposable and novelty lighters includes specified requirements for child resistance. The standard defines "disposable lighters," in part, as refillable lighters that use butane or similar fuels that have a Customs Value or ex-factory price below a threshold value (initially set at \$2.00 in 1993) . The standard provides that the initial \$2.00 value adjusts every 5 years for inflation. This document revises the cigarette lighter standard to adjust the import value to \$2.75.</i></p>	—
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING					
PLUGS, SOCKET-OUTLETS, COUPLERS	INDIA	12/18/2018	G/TBT/N/IND/86	<p>Air conditioner and its related parts</p> <p><i>Bureau of Indian Standards Plugs and Socket-outlets and Alternating Current Direct Connected Static Prepayment Meters for Active Energy (Class 1 and 2) (Quality Control) Order, 2018.</i></p>	60 days from notification
GALVANIC CELLS AND BATTERIES	REPUBLIC OF KOREA	12/18/2018	G/TBT/N/KOR/806	<p>Secondary lithium cells</p> <p><i>We shall newly include in safety standards the calculation method for energy density to safety standards in order to clarify the measurements for the energy density of cells used in mobile phones, tablet PCs, laptops and others.</i></p>	60 days from notification
ENERGY AND HEAT TRANSFER ENGINEERING					
ENERGY AND HEAT TRANSFER ENGINEERING IN GENERAL	CHINA	12/18/2018	G/TBT/N/CHN/1309	<p>Precipitator</p> <p><i>This standard specifies the energy efficiency grades, minimum allowable values of energy efficiency and energy efficiency test method of precipitators.</i></p> <p><i>This standard applies to the boiler flue gas dust removal with dry electrostatic precipitator for coal-fired power plants, bag filters for boiler flue gas dust removal of coal-fired power industry, cement dry rotary kiln flue gas dust removal of building materials industry, sintering machine flue gas semi-dry desulphurization and dust removal of Iron and steel industry, as well as electrostatic-fabric integrated precipitator (EFIP) for the coal-fired power plant boilers and cement dry rotary kiln flue gas treatment.</i></p>	60 days from notification

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ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH PROTECTION, SAFETY					
PROTECTION AGAINST FIRE	CHILE	12/18/2018	G/TBT/N/CHL/434/Add.1	<p>Conduits for smoke extraction - Addendum</p> <p><i>The Republic of Chile reports that in relation to Standard NCh 935/5: 2016 "Strength test to fire - Part 5: Conduits for smoke extraction ", notified on January 8, 2018, under the G / TBT / N / CHL / 434, it is reported that it has been approved and declared as Official Standard of the Republic of Chile through Exempt Decree No. 81 of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Development, December 5, 2018, which was published in the Official Gazette on December 12, 2018 and will enter effective six months after its publication.</i></p>	—
PROTECTION AGAINST CRIME	CHINA	12/18/2018	G/TBT/N/CHN/1303	<p>Burglary-resistant safes</p> <p><i>This standard specifies the terms and definitions, classification and signs, technical requirements, test methods, inspection rules and marking, packaging, transport and storage of burglary-resistant safes. This standard applies to the design, manufacture and inspection of burglary-resistant safe, burglary-resistant automatic teller machines (ATM) safe, burglary-resistant assembled safe and burglary-resistant self-service deposit safe.</i></p>	60 days from notification
PROTECTION AGAINST CRIME	CHINA	12/18/2018	G/TBT/N/CHN/1304	<p>Vault doors</p> <p><i>This standard specifies the terms and definitions, classification and signs, technical requirements, test methods, inspection rules and marking, packaging, transport and storage of vault door. This standard applies to the manufacture, installation, inspection and acceptance of vault door used in finance, security, commerce and related industries. Doors used in cultural relics and important items storage places can refer to this standard. This standard does not apply to the issuance warehouses of the People's Bank of China.</i></p>	60 days from notification
FIRE PROTECTION	CHINA	12/18/2018	G/TBT/N/CHN/1305	<p>Combustible gas detectors</p> <p><i>This standard specifies classifications, requirements, tests, inspection rules and markings of flammable gas detectors for industrial and commercial use. This standard applies to point-type combustible gas detectors used in industrial and commercial premises for detecting all types of flammable gases and vapours.</i></p>	60 days from notification
FIRE PROTECTION	CHINA	12/18/2018	G/TBT/N/CHN/1306	<p>Combustible gas detectors</p> <p><i>This standard specifies requirements, tests, inspection rules and markings of household combustible gas detectors.</i></p>	60 days from notification

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				<i>This standard applies to detectors used in home environment detecting methane, propane and carbon monoxide.</i>	
FIRE PROTECTION	CHINA	12/18/2018	G/TBT/N/CHN/1307	Combustible gas detectors <i>This standard specifies classifications, requirements, tests, inspection rules and markings of portable combustible gas detectors. This standard applies to portable combustible gas detectors used in industrial and commercial premises for detecting all types of flammable gases and vapours.</i>	60 days from notification
FIRE PROTECTION	CHINA	12/18/2018	G/TBT/N/CHN/1308	Combustible gas detectors <i>This standard specifies classifications, requirements, tests, inspection rules and markings of line-type optical beam combustible gas detectors. This standard applies to line-type optical beam combustible gas detectors used in industrial and commercial premises for detecting all types of flammable gases and vapours.</i>	60 days from notification
LIQUID WASTES, SLUDGE	EL SALVADOR	12/19/2018	G/TBT/N/SLV/204	Sewage Water <i>This regulation establishes the permissible limits for quality parameters of wastewater and its sludge, prior to its final disposal, as well as the technical mechanisms and procedures for managing them; and contribute to the recovery, protection and sustainable use of water resources.</i>	60 days from notification
FLUID SYSTEMS AND COMPONENTS FOR GENERAL USE					
STATIONARY CONTAINERS AND TANKS	INDONESIA	12/17/2018	G/TBT/N/IDN/38/Add.2	Vertical cylinder water tanks - Polyethylene - Addendum <i>Regulation of Minister of Industry No.81/M-IND/PER/7/2010 has been replaced by Regulation of Minister of Industry No. 78/M-IND/PER/9/2015 concerning Mandatory Implementation of Indonesia National Standard for Plastic - Vertical cylinder water tanks - Polyethylene (PE) . This regulation has been entered into force since 30 September 2015.</i>	—
VENTILATORS, FANS, AIR-CONDITIONERS	KUWAIT	12/17/2018	G/TBT/N/KWT/439/Corr.1	Air conditioners - Corrigendum <i>The information contained in Item 9 in the notification G/TBT/N/KWT/439 should read: Proposed date of adoption: 180 days from date of publication of approved version by Kuwait ministry of commerce and industry Proposed date of entry into force: 4 August 2019</i>	—

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FOOD AND BEVERAGES					
ANIMAL AND VEG-ETABLE FATS AND OILS	ARGENTINA	12/18/2018	G/TBT/N/ARG/257/Add.2	Food products - Addendum <i>It is reported that the "Draft Resolution is submitted for public consultation until January 31, 2019 Substitute Joint Article 155 tris of Chapter III "On Foodstuffs" of the Code Alimentario Argentino (CAA) on Trans Fat Content Acid "prepared by the Commission National Food (CONAL).</i>	—
NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	ARGENTINA	12/18/2018	G/TBT/N/ARG/351/Add.2	Wine - Addendum <i>It is reported that Resolution No. 7/2018 of the National Institute of Viticulture has approved the incorporation to Art. 17 of the General Wine Law N° 14.878 of the "Partial wine" desalcoholizado "ó" Wine with alcoholic degree modified by dealcoholization.</i>	—
NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	ARGENTINA	12/18/2018	G/TBT/N/ARG/352/Add.1	Wine - Addendum <i>It is reported that Resolution No. 6/2018 of the National Institute of Viticulture has approved the partial dealcoholization of wine as a legal oenological practice.</i>	—
MATERIALS AND ARTICLES IN CONTACT WITH FOODSTUFFS	ARGENTINA	12/18/2018	G/TBT/N/ARG/353	Containers and food utensils in contact with food <i>The Project, prepared by the National Commission of Food (CONAL) considers the procedures and technical requirements, health and administrative procedures for the Sanitary Authorization of the Containers and in contact with food.</i>	45 days from the notification
PREPACKAGED AND PREPARED FOODS	EUROPEAN UNION	12/19/2018	G/TBT/N/EU/636	Infant formula and follow-on formula <i>This draft Commission Delegated Regulation aims to amend Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2016/127 which sets, among others, composition and labelling requirements for infant formula and follow-on formula.</i>	60 days from notification
ANIMAL AND VEG-ETABLE FATS AND OILS	INDONESIA	12/17/2018	G/TBT/N/IDN/77/Add.3	Palm oil - Addendum <i>Regulation of Minister of Industry No.87/M-IND/PER/12/2013 as amended by Regulation of Minister of Industry No. 35/M-IND/PER/3/2015 amended by Regulation of Minister of Industry No. 100/M-IND/PER/11/2015 concerning Mandatory Implementation of Indonesia National Standard for Palm Oil, notified under G/TBT/N/IDN/77 dated 19 July 2013. This amendment is related to changes in implementation date (31 December 2018) .</i>	—

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FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	LITHUANIA	12/18/2018	G/TBT/N/LTU/34	<p>Food products in general, non-alcoholic beverages, toys</p> <p><i>It is prohibited in Republic of Lithuania for undertakings, European legal persons and their affiliates in the Republic of Lithuania to produce and/or sell food products, toys and other goods for children and adolescents whose designs imitate alcoholic beverages and/or their packaging.</i></p> <p><i>According to Art. 2 of the Law on Alcohol Control of the Republic of Lithuania:</i></p> <p><i>14. European legal person means a legal person or any other organisation established in a party to the Agreement on the European Economic Area (except the Republic of Lithuania).</i></p> <p><i>15. Undertaking means a legal person established in the Republic of Lithuania, a branch of a foreign legal person established in the Republic of Lithuania in accordance with the procedure laid down by the law.</i></p>	60 days from notification
MEAT, MEAT PRODUCTS AND OTHER ANIMAL PRODUCE	TANZANIA	12/17/2018	G/TBT/N/TZA/226	<p>Goat carcasses and meat cuts</p> <p><i>This Tanzania Standard prescribes the requirements, methods of sampling and test for goat carcasses and meat cuts intended for human consumption</i></p>	60 days from notification
MEAT, MEAT PRODUCTS AND OTHER ANIMAL PRODUCE	TANZANIA	12/17/2018	G/TBT/N/TZA/227	<p>Chilled and frozen ostrich meat</p> <p><i>This Tanzania standard specifies requirements, methods of sampling and test for chilled and frozen Ostrich meat intended for human consumption</i></p>	60 days from notification
MEAT, MEAT PRODUCTS AND OTHER ANIMAL PRODUCE	TANZANIA	12/17/2018	G/TBT/N/TZA/228	<p>Chicken sausages</p> <p><i>This Tanzania standard specifies requirements, methods of sampling and test for chicken sausages intended for human consumption</i></p>	60 days from notification
MEAT, MEAT PRODUCTS AND OTHER ANIMAL PRODUCE	TANZANIA	12/17/2018	G/TBT/N/TZA/229	<p>Lamb and mutton carcasses and meat cuts</p> <p><i>This Tanzania Standard prescribes the requirements, methods of sampling and test for fresh and frozen lamb and mutton carcasses and meat cuts intended for human consumption</i></p>	60 days from notification
MEAT AND MEAT PRODUCTS	UGANDA	12/17/2018	G/TBT/N/UGA/1009	<p>Dried meat</p> <p><i>This Draft Uganda standard specifies the requirements, methods of test and sampling</i></p>	60 days from notification
MEAT AND MEAT PRODUCTS	UGANDA	12/17/2018	G/TBT/N/UGA/1010	<p>Rabbit meat</p> <p><i>This Draft Uganda standard specifies the requirements, method of test and sampling for rabbit meat (carcasses and cuts) meant for</i></p>	60 days from notification

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FOOD ADDITIVES	UGANDA	12/17/2018	G/TBT/N/UGA/1011	Steviol glycosides <i>This Draft Uganda Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for steviol glycosides from Stevia rebaudiana Bertoni intended for human consumption.</i>	60 days from notification
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	UNITED STATES	12/18/2018	G/TBT/N/USA/1434	Food labeling <i>The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is establishing 1 January 2022, as the uniform compliance date for new meat and poultry product labeling regulations that will be issued between 1 January 2019, and 31 December 2020. FSIS periodically announces uniform compliance dates for new meat and poultry product labeling regulations to minimize the economic impact of label changes.</i>	07 January 2019
GENERALITIES, TERMINOLOGY, STANDARDIZATION, DOCUMENTATION					
QUANTITIES AND UNITS	EL SALVADOR	12/19/2018	G/TBT/N/SLV/203	Measurement units <i>This regulation defines the magnitudes, units of measurement and the corresponding symbols of the International System of Units (SI) and other units outside the SI, which have been recognized by the General Conference of Weights and Measures (CGPM). It also establishes a common language that meets the demands of the different measurement activities in the country.</i>	60 days from notification
CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS AND BUILDING (VOCABULARIES)	TURKEY	12/19/2018	G/TBT/N/TUR/144	Hexagon fit bolts for steel structures supplied with or without hexagon nuts <i>This standard covers the dimensions and technical delivery requirements for hexagon fit bolts M12 to M30, with product quality C, used in bolting of steel constructions. This standard also covers the nuts and washers used with the fit bolts mentioned above.</i>	60 days from notification
GLASS AND CERAMICS INDUSTRIES					
GLASS IN BUILDING	INDONESIA	12/17/2018	G/TBT/N/IDN/30/Add.2	Sheet gloss - Addendum <i>Regulation of Minister of Industry No. 41/M-IND/PER/1/2010 has been replaced by Regulation of Minister of Industry No. 80/M-IND/PER/9/2015 concerning Mandatory Implementation of Indonesia National Standard for Glass. This regulation has been entered into force since 30 September 2015.</i>	—
HEALTH CARE TECHNOLOGY					
MEDICAMENTS	ARGENTINA	12/18/2018	G/TBT/N/ARG/251/Add.1	Medicinal specialties for human use - Addendum <i>It is reported that by Provision No. 2089/2018 of the National Drug Administration, Food and Medical Technology is proceeded to update the registration procedures in the Registry of</i>	—

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				<p><i>Medicinal Specialties (REM), in the terms of articles 3 and 4 of the Decree 150/92 (T.O. 1993) that establishes the ANMAT Provision No. 5755/1996.</i></p> <p><i>For its effects, Article 8 ° ANMAT Provision No. 5755/1996 is repealed.</i></p> <p><i>The update seeks to comply with the principles of efficiency, economy, transparency and predictability in the technical and administrative evaluation of the procedures.</i></p>	
MEDICAL EQUIPMENT	CANADA	12/17/2018	G/TBT/N/CAN/539/Add.1	<p>Mica - Addendum</p> <p><i>The proposed regulations notified in G/TBT/N/CAN/539 (dated 11 January 2018) were adopted and published on 12 December 2018 as the Regulations Amending the Food and Drug Regulations (Mica) .</i></p> <p><i>The Food and Drug Regulations are amended to permit the use of mica coated with titanium dioxide and/or iron oxide as colouring agents in drugs for both oral administration and external use. The amendment establishes a concentration limit for the colourant when it is used in solid oral dosage forms and limits the total amount of iron oxides. The regulation does not permit the use of mica for internal use other than oral administration.</i></p>	—
PHARMACEUTICS	JAPAN	12/21/2018	G/TBT/N/JPN/616	<p>Substances with probable effects on the central nervous system</p> <p><i>Proposed "Shitei Yakubutsu" (designated 3 substances), and their "proper uses" designated under the Act</i></p>	Not applicable
MEDICAL EQUIPMENT IN GENERAL	MÉXICO	12/18/2018	G/TBT/N/MEX/443	<p>AC motors</p> <p><i>The minimum values of energy efficiency are established, the test method, the marking and the procedure to evaluate the conformity; of the AC motors, cooled with air, in nominal voltage of up to 240 volts, with rated power, greater than or equal to 1 W and less than 180 W; electric of 2, 4 and 6 poles, induction type squirrel cage, as well as electronically commuted, imported, manufactured or marketed within the territory of the United States of Mexico. Definitions, symbols and abbreviations are established and the specifications. The Procedure for the Evaluation of Conformity (PEC) is established, which determines the procedures and requirements that certification bodies must follow to product, which is applicable to the products that they import, manufacture or market in the national territory.</i></p>	10 February 2019

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PHARMACEUTICS	UNITED STATES	12/17/2018	G/TBT/N/USA/1433	Biological product <i>The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or the Agency) is proposing to amend its regulation that defines "biological product" to incorporate changes made by the Biologics Price Competition and Innovation Act of 2009 (BPCI Act), and to provide its interpretation of the statutory terms "protein" and "chemically synthesized polypeptide." Under that interpretation, the term protein would mean any alpha amino acid polymer with a specific, defined sequence that is greater than 40 amino acids in size. A chemically synthesized polypeptide would mean any alpha amino acid polymer that is made entirely by chemical synthesis and is greater than 40 amino acids but less than 100 amino acids in size. This proposed rule is intended to clarify the statutory framework under which such products are regulated.</i>	25 February 2019
METALLURGY					
IRON AND STEEL PRODUCTS	PHILIPPINES	12/20/2018	G/TBT/N/PHL/195/Rev.1/Add.1	Steel bars - Addendum <i>This addendum aims at informing the members that the Philippines' Department of Trade and Industry - Bureau of Philippine Standards issued the Department Administrative Order (DAO) No. 18-08 last 8 October 2018, which was earlier notified for comments under G/TBT/N/PHL/195/Rev.1 dated 22 January 2018, which provides the New Technical Regulations Concerning the Mandatory Product Certification of Deformed Steel Bars, Rerolled Steel Bars and Equal Leg Angle Steel Bars.</i>	—
FLAT STEEL PRODUCTS AND SEMI-PRODUCTS	THAILAND	12/19/2018	G/TBT/N/THA/149/Rev.2	Steels - Revision <i>The Thai Industrial Standards Institute (TISI) has proposed to revise the draft Thai Industrial Standard for Hot-Rolled Flat Steel of Commercial and Drawing Qualities (TIS 528-25XX(20XX)) . This revision replaces the draft standard previously notified to WTO/TBT under G/TBT/N/THA/149/Rev.1 . The major revisions include amending the definition and adding more grade for hot-rolled flat steel: HR5.</i>	60 days from notification
METROLOGY AND MEASUREMENT, PHYSICAL PHENOMENA					
MEASURING INSTRUMENTS	CZECH REPUBLIC	12/19/2018	G/TBT/N/CZE/227	Measuring instruments <i>Measuring instruments used to monitor activity limits and concentration of effluents from nuclear facilities, nuclear raw material mining or processing facilities, radioactive waste processing plants and from the processing or application of radioactive materials, and also used to determine environmental radiation</i>	60 days from notification

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				<i>exposure due to effluents - measuring instruments for continuous monitoring of radioactive noble gases in gaseous effluents from nuclear facilities - are placed on the market and put into use in the Czech Republic as legally controlled measuring instruments following type approval and initial verification pursuant to Act No 505/1990 on metrology, as amended. This legislation contains a national metrological regulation for the type approval and verification of these measuring instruments.</i>	
MEASURING INSTRUMENTS	CZECH REPUBLIC	12/19/2018	G/TBT/N/CZE/228	<p>Tyre pressure gauges for road motor vehicles</p> <p><i>Tyre pressure gauges for road motor vehicles are placed on the market and put into use in the Czech Republic as legally controlled measuring instruments following type approval and initial verification pursuant to Act No 505/1990 on metrology, as amended. This legislation contains a national metrological regulation of type approval and verification of these measuring instruments.</i></p>	60 days from notification
MEASURING INSTRUMENTS	CZECH REPUBLIC	12/19/2018	G/TBT/N/CZE/229	<p>Rotary-piston and velocity gas flow meters</p> <p><i>Rotary-piston and velocity gas flow meters are placed on the market and put into use in the Czech Republic as legally controlled measuring instruments following type approval and initial verification pursuant to Act No 505/1990 on metrology, as amended. This legislation contains a national metrological regulation of type approval for measuring instruments falling outside the scope of Directive 2014/32/EU (the Measuring Instruments Directive - MID) and for verification of instruments that have already been placed on the market, either specified in the MID or Act No 505/1990 on metrology.</i></p>	60 days from notification
MEASURING INSTRUMENTS	CZECH REPUBLIC	12/20/2018	G/TBT/N/CZE/230	<p>Measuring instruments</p> <p><i>Measuring instruments used to monitor activity limits and concentration of effluents from nuclear facilities, nuclear raw material mining or processing facilities, radioactive waste processing plants and from the processing or application of radioactive materials, and also used to determine environmental radiation exposure due to effluents measuring instruments for continuous monitoring of gamma radioisotopes in liquid effluents from nuclear facilities are placed on the market and put into use in the Czech Republic as legally controlled measuring instruments following type approval and initial verification pursuant to Act No 505/1990 on metrology, as amended.</i></p>	60 days from notification

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PACKAGING AND DISTRIBUTION OF GOODS					
PACKAGING MATERIALS AND ACCESSORIES	UGANDA	12/17/2018	G/TBT/N/UGA/1007	Paper and board intended to come into contact with foodstuffs <i>This Draft Uganda Standard specifies the determination of formaldehyde in aqueous extracts prepared from paper and board intended to come in contact with foodstuffs. The limit of determination is 1 mg/kg.</i>	60 days from notification
PACKAGING MATERIALS AND ACCESSORIES	UGANDA	12/17/2018	G/TBT/N/UGA/1008	Flexible laminate tubes <i>This Draft Uganda Standard specifies methods for the assessment of the strength of the side seam of flexible laminate tubes. It is applicable to flexible laminate tubes used for packing pharmaceutical, cosmetic, hygiene, food and other household products</i>	60 days from notification
PAPER TECHNOLOGY					
OTHER PAPER PRODUCTS	UGANDA	12/17/2018	G/TBT/N/UGA/1006	Paper plates and cups for food packaging <i>This Draft Uganda Standard specifies the requirements, methods of sampling and test for paper plates and cups with or without lids used for food packaging.</i>	60 days from notification
PETROLEUM AND RELATED TECHNOLOGIES					
PETROLEUM PRODUCTS AND NATURAL GAS HANDLING EQUIPMENT	MÉXICO	12/21/2018	G/TBT/N/MEX/378/Add.1	Hydrocarbons - Addendum <i>The publication of the ANSWERS to the comments of the Draft Official Standard is reported Mexicana PROY-NOM-009-ASEA-2017, Administration of the integrity of collection ducts, transportation and distribution of hydrocarbons, petroleum and petrochemicals, published on October 31 of 2017.</i>	—
FUELS	UNITED STATES	12/17/2018	G/TBT/N/USA/1380/Add.2	Biomass-based diesel - Addendum <i>Under section 211 of the Clean Air Act, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is required to set renewable fuel percentage standards every year. This action establishes the annual percentage standards for cellulosic biofuel, biomass-based diesel, advanced biofuel, and total renewable fuel that apply to gasoline and diesel transportation fuel produced or imported in the year 2019. Relying on statutory waiver authority that is available when the projected cellulosic biofuel production volume is less than the applicable volume specified in the statute, EPA is establishing volume requirements for cellulosic biofuel, advanced biofuel, and total renewable fuel that are below the statutory volume targets. We are also establishing the applicable volume of biomass-based diesel for 2020.</i>	—

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ROAD VEHICLES ENGINEERING					
CYCLES	BRAZIL	12/17/2018	G/TBT/N/BRA/724/Add.1	<p>Pneumatic tires used on bicycles for adult use - Addendum</p> <p><i>This addendum aims to inform that the National Institute of Metrology, Quality and Technology/Inmetro issued Ordinance 595, 7 December, published in Official Gazette 239, 13 December, to approve the Technical Regulation applicable to new tires for adults bicycles whether manufactured domestically or imported, having a structure based on textile fibers - polyamide filaments -nylon, polyester or cotton filaments - and their beads formed of steel wire.</i></p> <p><i>The access conformity requirements for tyres to adult bicycles are set out in Annex II of this Ordinance, emphasizing that, after the certification, this product should be registered in Inmetro, considering Ordinance 512, 7 November 2016 (Portaria Inmetro 512, de 7 de Novembro de 2016), and does not exempt the supplier from exclusive responsibility for the product.</i></p> <p><i>It revokes Inmetro Ordinance 342, 24 September 2008 (Portaria Inmetro 342, de 24 de Setembro de 2008 and Inmetro Ordinance 396, 7 August 2013 (Portaria Inmetro 396, de 7 de Agosto de 2013), within 48 (forty eight) months after the publication of this Ordinance.</i></p>	—
LIGHTING, SIGNALLING AND WARNING DEVICES	MÉXICO	12/19/2018	G/TBT/N/MEX/444	<p>Luminaires with LED for lighting roads and public outdoor areas</p> <p><i>The specifications and test methods are established that encourage the efficient use of energy in luminaries with light-emitting diodes (LED), intended for lighting roads and public outdoor areas.</i></p>	15 February 2019
SERVICES, COMPANY ORGANIZATION, MANAGEMENT AND QUALITY, ADMINISTRATION, TRANSPORT, SOCIOLOGY					
QUALITY MANAGEMENT AND QUALITY ASSURANCE	BRAZIL	12/21/2018	G/TBT/N/BRA/820/Add.1	<p>Market goods - Addendum</p> <p><i>This addendum aims to inform that the CAMEX Resolution establishing good practices for the elaboration and review of regulatory measures affecting foreign trade and, previously notified as a draft under the document G/TBT/N/BRA/820 , was adopted as final text by means of Resolution Camex 90, 5 December 2018 (Resolução Camex 90 de 5 de Dezembro de 2018) .</i></p>	—