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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 67 notifications on Agriculture, Environment, Health Protection, Safety, Food and Beverages, Road Vehicles Engineering, Telecommunications, Audio and Video Engineering etc. from the European Union, Gulf Cooperation Council, Tanzania, United States of America, Viet Nam 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 (21 - 27 April 2018)

Product Sector	Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification Symbol	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
AGRICULTURE					
PESTICIDES AND OTHER AGROCHEMICALS	BRAZIL	26/04/2018	G/TBT/N/BRA/809	Plant protection products approved for organic agriculture <i>Technical Regulation amending Annex II of the SDA/SDC N° 02, 12 July 2013, that establishes the reference specifications for plant protection products approved for organic agriculture.</i>	Not stated
ANIMAL FEEDING STUFFS	KENYA	23/04/2018	G/TBT/N/KEN/668	Cattle feeds <i>This Draft East African Standard specifies requirements and method of sampling and test for the cattle feeds which include feeds for calf, dairy beef and draught cattle.</i>	12 May 2018
AGRICULTURAL MACHINES, IMPLEMENTS AND EQUIPMENT	TANZANIA	23/04/2018	G/TBT/N/TZA/158	Shovels <i>This Tanzania Standard gives the material and other requirements of a shovel</i>	60 days from notification

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AGRICULTURAL MACHINES, IMPLEMENTS AND EQUIPMENT	TANZANIA	23/04/2018	G/TBT/N/TZA/160	Honey extractor <i>This standard prescribes the requirements for hand operated honey extractors of the hand operated radial type, used for extracting honey centrifugally from the frames. This standard also includes a typical design of the honey extractors of radial type.</i>	60 days from notification
FERTILIZERS	UGANDA	23/04/2018	G/TBT/N/UGA/818/Corr.1	Phosphate rock powder - Corrigendum <i>In the notification G/TBT/N/UGA/818, item 9 'Proposed date of adoption' should read 'June 2018'.</i>	–
FERTILIZERS	UGANDA	23/04/2018	G/TBT/N/UGA/824/Corr.1	Urea - Corrigendum <i>In the notification G/TBT/N/UGA/824, the proposed date of adoption is June 2018.</i>	–
ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND BREEDING	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	26/04/2018	G/TBT/N/ARE/410	Sharks and shark fins <i>The Ministerial Decree regulates the fishing and trade of sharks:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - It is prohibited to export locally caught sharks throughout the year in any form. This includes shark fins. - It is prohibited to import and therefore re-export sharks in any form from 1 March to 31 July every year. - It is prohibited to export, import and therefore re-export shark fins in any form throughout the year. <i>Please note that during the seasonal ban from 1 March to 31 July, all trade in sharks will be prohibited in the UAE local market.</i>	60 days from notification
CHEMICALS					
COSMETICS, TOILETRIES	EUROPEAN UNION	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/EU/527/Add.1	Cosmetics - Addendum <i>The European Union would like to inform the WTO Members that the "draft Commission Regulation amending Annex V to Regulation (EC) No 1223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on cosmetic products" has been amended.</i> <i>The amendments concern the following point: The use of sodium o-phenylphenate, potassium o-phenylphenate and MEA o-phenylphenate as preservatives should not be allowed.</i>	30 days from date of notification
SURFACE ACTIVE AGENTS	TANZANIA	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/TZA/161	Glass cleaner, liquid <i>This Draft Tanzania Standard prescribes the requirements, methods of sampling and test for glass cleaner, liquid. This Draft Tanzania Standard is applicable for the liquid glass cleaner intended primarily for use on wind shields, windows, doors, globes, shells, tableware, glass mirrors, and the surfaces of other glassware/products. It is not intended for use on transparent plastic surfaces and</i>	60 days from notification

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COSMETICS, TOILETRIES	TANZANIA	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/TZA/162	Baby toilet soap <i>This Draft Tanzania Standard specifies requirements and methods of sampling and test for baby toilet soap.</i>	60 days from notification
CLOTHING INDUSTRY					
CLOTHES	UGANDA	23/04/2018	G/TBT/N/UGA/840	Cotton T-shirts <i>This Draft Uganda Standard prescribes the constructional, dimensional details, sampling and other particulars as a guideline to manufacturers of various types of T-shirts manufactured from 100% cotton yarn.</i>	60 days from notification
CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS AND BUILDING					
CERAMIC TILES	ECUADOR	27/04/2018	G/TBT/N/ECU/31/Add.10	Ceramic tiles - Addendum <i>Please note that, in notifications G / TBT / N / ECU / 31 / Add.8 and G / TBT / N / ECU / 31 / Add.9 dated April 12, 2018, remain unsubstantiated and without effect, in consequence is reported; The Republic of Ecuador announces and announces Addendum 10 corresponding to the Second revision of the Technical Regulation RTE INEN 033 "ceramic tiles", notified by the document identified with document G / TBT / N / ECU / 31 / Add.5 of February 18, 2014. This Second Review has been issued through Resolution No. 18 137 of April 18 of 2018, issued by the Undersecretary of the Quality System of the Ministry of Industries and Productivity, published in the Official Register No. 227 of April 23, 2018.</i>	—
MASONRY	KENYA	23/04/2018	G/TBT/N/KEN/669	Masonry units <i>This Kenya Standard specifies a method of determining the net and gross dry density of masonry units (except for natural stone masonry units) .</i>	19 May 2018
DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT, ENTERTAINMENT, SPORTS					
TOYS	CHINA	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/CHN/1269	Toys and child cart products <i>The rules describe the scope and classification, certification criteria, certification mode, division of certification unit, certification commission, basic requirements for certification implementation, post -certification supervision, certificates and certification marks, certification fees and certification responsibility, detailed certification rules, and follow-up supervision, etc.</i>	60 days from notification
KITCHEN EQUIPMENT	COLOMBIA	27/04/2018	G/TBT/N/COL/212/Add.4	End-use equipment for electric power and fuel gas - Addendum <i>The Republic of Colombia communicates in relation to Resolution No. 4 1012 of September 18 2015 of the Ministry of Mines and Energy</i>	—

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				"Whereby the Technical Regulations of the Labeling - RETIQ, for purposes of Rational Energy use applicable to some end-use equipment of electric energy and fuel gas, for its commercialization and use in Colombia ", notified the November 10, 2015 by the World Trade Organization through the document identified with the symbol G / TBT / N / COL / 212 / Add.1, which clarifies and relaxes conditions applicable to the control and evaluation of conformity established in the General Annex of the Technical Labeling Regulation - RETIQ, through Resolution No. 4 0298 of March 8, 2018 of the Ministry of Mines and Energy, which came into force as of the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.	
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING					
GALVANIC CELLS AND BATTERIES	COLOMBIA	25/04/2018	G/TBT/N/COL/228/Add.1	Zinc-carbon and alkaline batteries - Addendum <i>The Republic of Colombia communicates in relation to the draft resolution of the Ministry of Trade, Industry and Tourism and the Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development "Whereby issues the Technical Regulation for Batteries, Zinc-Carbon and Alkaline that are imported or manufactured nationally for marketing in Colombia ", notified on September 13, 2017 by World Trade Organization through the document identified with the symbol G / TBT / N / COL / 228, which has issued Resolution No. 721 of April 16, 2018 and that the same it goes into effect nine (9) months after its publication in the Official Gazette.</i>	—
ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH PROTECTION, SAFETY					
FIRE PROTECTION	CHINA	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/CHN/1266	Low pressure carbon dioxide gas inerting protection equipment <i>The standard regulates on low pressure carbon dioxide gas inerting protection equipment. It specifies terms and definitions, classification, model establishment, requirements, test methods, inspection rules and manual book compiling.</i>	60 days from notification
FIRE PROTECTION	CHINA	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/CHN/1267	Automatic sprinkler system <i>The standard regulates on Early Suppression Fast Response (ESFR) automatic sprinklers. It specifies requirements, test methods, inspection rules, packaging, transportation and storage.</i>	60 days from notification
FIRE PROTECTION	CHINA	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/CHN/1268	Indoor fire hydrant <i>The standard regulates on indoor fire hydrant. It specifies definitions, type, model establishment, basic parameter, requirements, test methods, inspection rules, manual book compiling requirements, marking, packaging, transportation and storage.</i>	60 days from notification

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SPECIAL WASTES	MEXICO	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/MEX/377/Add.1	Residues from the Hydrocarbons Sector - Addendum <i>The purpose of this addendum is to announce the publication of the Prolongation Notice, to six months from May 2, 2018, of the validity of the Mexican Official Standard NOM-EM-005-ASEA-2017 - Criteria for classification of residues undergoing treatment and identification of those subject to a management plan, list of residues, elements and procedures for the development of hazardous waste and tailings management plans hydrocarbons sector under special treatment, published in the Official Journal of the Federation on October 31, 2017.</i>	—
WATER QUALITY	MEXICO	25/04/2018	G/TBT/N/MEX/404	Water for human use and consumption <i>This Standard is mandatory throughout the entire national territory for the bodies responsible for the supply systems of the water for human use and consumption.</i>	23 June 2018
AIR QUALITY	UNITED STATES	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/USA/1359	Volatile organic compound limits <i>The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Division of Air Pollution Control (DAPC) has proposed amended rules in Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) chapter 3745-112, "Consumer Products Rules Program" to the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review (JCARR) . The rules in this chapter establish limits on the quantity of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) that may be contained in consumer products, such as paint, cleaning products and beauty products, that are sold, supplied, offered for sale or manufactured for sale in the state of Ohio.</i>	30 April 2018
FLUID SYSTEMS AND COMPONENTS FOR GENERAL USE					
VENTILATORS, FANS, AIR-CONDITIONERS	CANADA	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/CAN/551	Energy efficiency <i>The Energy Efficiency Regulations prescribe minimum energy performance standards (MEPS) consumer and commercial energy-using products. They also prescribe labelling requirements for certain products to disclose and compare the energy use of a given product model relative to others in their category. The Regulations are amended regularly to introduce MEPS for new products and update existing MEPS. This proposed amendment to the Energy Efficiency Regulations, 2016 would:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. introduce minimum energy performance standards, labelling and reporting requirements for 6 new product categories; 2. introduce more stringent minimum energy performance for 11 currently regulated 	17 June 2018

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				3. make minor changes to existing standards, test procedures or reporting requirements for currently regulated product categories; and 4. provide flexibility for testing requirements and remove import reporting requirements for certain product subcategories.	
FOOD AND BEVERAGES					
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	25/04/2018	G/TBT/N/ARE/400/Add.1	Food labelling - Addendum <i>Following discussions and deliberations on the various comments received with regard to GSO Draft Technical Regulation "Mandatory warning and advisory statement and declarations", notified as G/TBT/N/ARE/400 , G/TBT/N/BHR/512 , G/TBT/N/KWT/394 , G/TBT/N/OMN/338 , G/TBT/N/QAT/511 ,G/TBT/N/SAU/1034 , G/TBT/N/YEM/114, the GSO Technical Committee for Food and Agricultural Products has decided to withdraw the aforementioned draft TR.</i>	—
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN	25/04/2018	G/TBT/N/BHR/512/Add.1	Food labelling - Addendum <i>Following discussions and deliberations on the various comments received with regard to GSO Draft Technical Regulation "Mandatory warning and advisory statement and declarations", notified as G/TBT/N/ARE/400 , G/TBT/N/BHR/512 , G/TBT/N/KWT/394 , G/TBT/N/OMN/338 , G/TBT/N/QAT/511 ,G/TBT/N/SAU/1034 , G/TBT/N/YEM/114, the GSO Technical Committee for Food and Agricultural Products has decided to withdraw the aforementioned draft TR.</i>	—
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	KUWAIT	25/04/2018	G/TBT/N/KWT/394/Add.1	Food labelling - Addendum <i>Following discussions and deliberations on the various comments received with regard to GSO Draft Technical Regulation "Mandatory warning and advisory statement and declarations", notified as G/TBT/N/ARE/400 , G/TBT/N/BHR/512 , G/TBT/N/KWT/394 , G/TBT/N/OMN/338 , G/TBT/N/QAT/511 ,G/TBT/N/SAU/1034 , G/TBT/N/YEM/114, the GSO Technical Committee for Food and Agricultural Products has decided to withdraw the aforementioned draft TR.</i>	—
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	OMAN	25/04/2018	G/TBT/N/OMN/338/Add.1	Food labelling - Addendum <i>Following discussions and deliberations on the various comments received with regard to GSO Draft Technical Regulation "Mandatory warning and advisory statement and declarations", notified as G/TBT/N/ARE/400 , G/TBT/N/BHR/512 , G/TBT/N/KWT/394 , G/TBT/N/OMN/338 , G/TBT/N/QAT/511 ,G/TBT/N/SAU/1034 , G/TBT/N/YEM/114, the GSO Technical Committee for Food and Agricultural Products has decided to withdraw the aforementioned draft TR.</i>	—

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FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	QATAR	25/04/2018	G/TBT/N/QAT/511/Add.1	Food labelling - Addendum <i>Following discussions and deliberations on the various comments received with regard to GSO Draft Technical Regulation "Mandatory warning and advisory statement and declarations", notified as G/TBT/N/ARE/400 , G/TBT/N/BHR/512 , G/TBT/N/KWT/394 , G/TBT/N/OMN/338 , G/TBT/N/QAT/511 ,G/TBT/N/SAU/1034 , G/TBT/N/YEM/114, the GSO Technical Committee for Food and Agricultural Products has decided to withdraw the aforementioned draft TR.</i>	—
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA	25/04/2018	G/TBT/N/SAU/1034/Add.1	Food labelling - Addendum <i>Following discussions and deliberations on the various comments received with regard to GSO Draft Technical Regulation "Mandatory warning and advisory statement and declarations", notified as G/TBT/N/ARE/400 , G/TBT/N/BHR/512 , G/TBT/N/KWT/394 , G/TBT/N/OMN/338 , G/TBT/N/QAT/511 ,G/TBT/N/SAU/1034 , G/TBT/N/YEM/114, the GSO Technical Committee for Food and Agricultural Products has decided to withdraw the aforementioned draft TR.</i>	—
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	YEMEN	25/04/2018	G/TBT/N/YEM/114/Add.1	Food labelling - Addendum <i>Following discussions and deliberations on the various comments received with regard to GSO Draft Technical Regulation "Mandatory warning and advisory statement and declarations", notified as G/TBT/N/ARE/400 , G/TBT/N/BHR/512 , G/TBT/N/KWT/394 , G/TBT/N/OMN/338 , G/TBT/N/QAT/511 ,G/TBT/N/SAU/1034 , G/TBT/N/YEM/114, the GSO Technical Committee for Food and Agricultural Products has decided to withdraw the aforementioned draft TR.</i>	—
FISH AND FISHERY PRODUCTS	ARGENTINA	27/04/2018	G/TBT/N/ARG/333	Fish, molluscs and crustaceans <i>The draft Resolution notified proposes a regulation technician that establishes the methodology to carry out the metrological control in fish, glazed molluscs and crustaceans, for the purpose of determining</i>	20 June 2018
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	BRAZIL	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/BRA/280/Add.3	Liqueurs and cordials - Addendum <i>This addendum aims at informing that the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Supply issued Ordinance 17, 9 April 2018 (Instrução Normativa N° 17, de 9 de Abril de 2018), published in the National Gazette Number 70, 12 April 2018, section 1, page 6 (Diário Oficial da União) amending Ordinance 35, 16 November 2010 (Instrução Normativa N° 35, de 16 de Novembro de 2010) to complement</i>	—

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				<i>the standards and requirements of identity and quality for alcoholic beverages by blend, marketed throughout the national territory.</i>	
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	BRAZIL	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/BRA/764/Add.1	Agriculture and livestock products - Addendum <i>This addendum aims at informing that the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Food Supply - MAPA issued technical regulation 13, 9 April 2018, amending technical regulation 37, 27 November 2017, which approves the rules, technical procedures, administrative and operational controls and inspection carried out for the Surveillance System for international trade and international transit operations of 'agropecuários' products (combination of agriculture and livestock products) - VIGI-AGRO, previously notified under the document G/TBT/N/BRA/764 .</i>	—
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	EUROPEAN UNION	25/04/2018	G/TBT/N/EU/568	Food <i>This draft Commission Regulation concerns the refusal of authorisation of one health claim made on foods and referring to children's development and health in accordance with Article 17(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1924/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 December 2006 on nutrition and health claims made on foods.</i>	60 days from notification
ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE FATS AND OILS	INDIA	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/IND/75	Labeling of edible oils and fats <i>The draft Food Safety and Standards (Packaging and Labelling) Amendment Regulations, 2018 deals with the size of letters for labeling of edible oils and fats.</i>	60 days from notification
MATERIALS AND ARTICLES IN CONTACT WITH FOODSTUFFS	INDIA	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/IND/76	Aluminium and aluminium alloy bare foil for food packaging <i>Aluminium Foil (Quality Control) Order, 2018</i>	60 days from notification
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	REPUBLIC OF KOREA	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/KOR/760	Health functional foods <i>The proposed amendment seeks to:</i> - <i>Exempt products with insufficient information panel space from the font size requirement of at least 10pt type. The size of the information panel shall be not less than the area of the principal display panel, not including the minimum margin space. In this case, only the labels which are stipulated in Article 4 (including other legislations) shall be indicated on the information panel.</i> - <i>Allow gluten-free labels on health functional food for consumers intolerant to gluten and the gluten-free labeling complies with the "Food Labeling Standards".</i>	60 days from notification

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FRUITS, VEG-ETABLES	PARAGUAY	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/PRY/101/Add.1	Tomato "in nature" - Addendum <i>The purpose of this addendum is to announce incorporation into national legislation of Decision No. 219/18 implementing in the Republic of Paraguay the MERCOSUR / GMC / Res. No. 26/17 (MERCOSUR Technical Regulation on the Identity of tomatoes and repealing Decision GMC No 99/94), adopted by the Common Market Group MERCOSUR in the phytosanitary field and notified at draft stage by means of the document G / TBT / N / PRY / 101. It is also intended to announce the repeal of the SENAVE Decision No. 490/09 dated October 7, 2009.</i>	–
BUTTER	TANZANIA	23/04/2018	G/TBT/N/TZA/150	Butter <i>This Tanzania standard specifies requirements, methods of sampling and test for butter of dairy animal origin intended for human consumption.</i>	60 days from notification
OTHER MILK PRODUCTS	TANZANIA	23/04/2018	G/TBT/N/TZA/151	Ghee <i>This draft Tanzania standard prescribes the requirements, methods of sampling and test for Ghee produced for human consumption.</i>	60 days from notification
MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS	TANZANIA	23/04/2018	G/TBT/N/TZA/152	Milk powder and cream powder <i>This draft Tanzania standard prescribes the requirements, methods of sampling and test for whole milk powder, partially skimmed milk powder, skimmed milk powder and cream powder intended for human consumption.</i>	60 days from notification
OTHER MILK PRODUCTS	TANZANIA	23/04/2018	G/TBT/N/TZA/153	Raw milk <i>This Tanzania Standard specifies requirements, methods of sampling and test for raw milk from dairy cows intended for human consumption and for further processing.</i>	60 days from notification
MILK AND PROCESSED MILK PRODUCTS	TANZANIA	23/04/2018	G/TBT/N/TZA/154	Sweetened condensed milk <i>This Tanzania standard prescribes the requirements, methods of sampling and test for sweetened condensed milk produced for human consumption</i>	60 days from notification
MILK AND PROCESSED MILK PRODUCTS	TANZANIA	23/04/2018	G/TBT/N/TZA/155	UHT milk <i>This Tanzania standard prescribes the requirements, methods of sampling and test for UHT milk derived from reconstituted, recombined or toned milk.</i>	60 days from notification
PROCESSES IN THE FOOD INDUSTRY	UGANDA	23/04/2018	G/TBT/N/UGA/817/Corr.1	Organic production - Corrigendum <i>In the notification G/TBT/N/UGA/817, item 9 'Proposed date of adoption' should read 'June 2018'.</i>	–

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FOOD TECHNOLOGY	SOUTH AFRICA	25/04/2018	G/TBT/N/ZAF/227	Vinegar and imitation vinegar <i>The regulations set quality standards for vinegar and imitation vinegar, provide the consumer with information (labelling requirements) regarding the vinegar, and also provide for the protection of Geographical Indication vinegars</i>	60 days from notification
HEALTH CARE TECHNOLOGY					
MEDICAL EQUIPMENT	CANADA	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/CAN/550	Disinfectants and sterilants <i>As one initiative under the Canada-United States Regulatory Cooperation Council (RCC), Health Canada is reclassifying high-level disinfectants and sterilant solutions, including contact lens disinfectants, intended for use on medical devices. These products are being reclassified from drugs to medical devices to better align Canadian regulatory requirements with those of the United States. All medical device disinfectants and sterilants that do not meet the definition of an antimicrobial agent, as defined in section C.01A.001(1) of the Food and Drug Regulations (FDR) are no longer regulated under the FDR and are subject to the requirements of the Medical Devices Regulations. Health Canada is allowing an 18-month transition period from the date of this publication for manufacturers of market authorized disinfectants and sterilants to obtain quality management system (QMS) certificates. Further information on how to obtain a QMS certificate is available at www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/drugs-health-products/medical-devices/quality-systems-13485.html.</i>	17 June 2018
MEDICAMENTS	REPUBLIC OF KOREA	23/04/2018	G/TBT/N/KOR/759	Biological products <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Whereas the products with the same strength of active ingredients, dosage form and route of administration for each unit dose are approved as one product, orphan drugs can be approved as separate products.</i> • <i>Domestic pharmaceutical companies may manufacture drugs using contract-manufacturing in overseas manufacturing facilities, which are established or whose shares are largely held by the domestic pharmaceutical companies. Importers of pharmaceuticals may also entrust part of the manufacturing process of import products to domestic manufacturers.</i> • <i>If pharmaceutical companies change strains of the approved influenza vaccines, the products should be reviewed in order to ensure safety and efficacy.</i> 	60 days from notification

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The approved pharmaceuticals described as "in-house packaging units" or "manufacturer's packaging units" did not indicate the specific packaging unit information under the current regulation. As a result, consumers couldn't check the dosage or the total number of drugs in circulation. Under the amended regulation, however, more detailed packaging unit information of approved drugs will be provided. The amended regulation provides bases that can be used to subject orphan drugs to re-examination upon consent of the applicant company. Please refer to the attached document for information on other revisions to the Regulation. 	
PHARMACEUTICS	REPUBLIC OF KOREA	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/KOR/761	<p>Narcotics</p> <p>The proposed amendments seek to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish a legal basis in order to include information required to be provided on containers/ packaging under the Pharmaceutical Affairs Act in the Enforcement Rules of Narcotics Controls Act such as the indication of all ingredients, usage, dosage, direction for use, warning signs, and prescription drug labels (if applicable) . Specify persons responsible for providing required information of narcotics drugs or psychoactive substances on containers and packaging as follows: manufacturers, importers, exporters, and users of raw materials thereof. Establish a legal basis in order to allow the omission of certain information provided on containers/packaging of standard preparations or reagents for medical use containing narcotic drugs or psychoactive substances while indicating item codes, generated through Narcotics Information Management System, on the containers/packaging thereof. 	60 days from notification
METROLOGY AND MEASUREMENT, PHYSICAL PHENOMENA					
MEASURING INSTRUMENTS	EL SALVADOR	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/SLV/200	<p>Non-automatic weighing instruments</p> <p>The notified Technical Regulation establishes the metrological and technical requirements to be met by non-automatic weighing instruments that are subject to official metrological controls. It also establishes the requirements and standard test procedures to assess metrological and technical characteristics in a uniform and traceable manner.</p>	60 days from notification

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PETROLEUM AND RELATED TECHNOLOGIES					
LIQUID FUELS	OMAN	25/04/2018	G/TBT/N/OMN/351	<p>Unleaded gasoline</p> <p><i>This Draft standard provides specifications and requirements for the Unleaded Gasoline used for engines designed to operate by such fuel.</i></p>	60 days from notification
FUELS	SWEDEN	23/04/2018	G/TBT/N/SWE/133	<p>Biofuels and bioliquids</p> <p><i>The regulations specify when a substance is considered to be an end product or a primary aim of a production process. If a process is usually optimised to produce a substance, it shall be considered to be an end product or a primary aim of the process. However, even a substance for which a production process is not usually optimised to produce it shall be considered to be an end product or the main purpose of the process if the substance has a use other than for energy purposes and, over the last 2-year period or the shorter part of the time the substance has been on the market, it has had an average retail price per kilo which, over the same period, exceeds 40 % of the average retail price per kilo of the substance for which the process is usually optimised. The latter does not apply to substances resulting directly from agricultural, aquaculture, fishing or forestry activities. Since it is clear from certain EU legal acts, inter alia the ILUC Directive and Commission interpretive communication 2010/C 160/02, that the substances mentioned in points (e), (f) and (h)-(o) of Annex IX to the ILUC Directive shall not be considered to be end products directly produced by a production process or the main aim of the process, this is stated in a provision of the proposed ordinance.</i></p> <p><i>The wording of § 17 in the ordinance is amended in relation to the current wording in order to better reflect the situations in question.</i></p>	90 days from notification
NATURAL GAS	TANZANIA	23/04/2018	G/TBT/N/TZA/159	<p>Gas natural</p> <p><i>This Draft Tanzania Standard prescribes requirements, methods of sampling and testing, calculation and interchangeability indices of natural gas for general purpose use. The specification applies to natural gas</i></p> <p><i>a) from petroleum, landfill, biogas, coal seam and other sources where these sources provide gas for direct or blended supply on a commercial basis through supply systems serving general purpose customers;</i></p> <p><i>b) transported and supplied to users for use in natural gas appliances and equipment complying with the relevant Standards. This includes natural gas-powered vehicles, natural gas compressors and refuelling facilities.</i></p>	60 days from notification

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ROAD VEHICLES ENGINEERING					
COMMERCIAL VEHICLES	CANADA	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/CAN/487/Add.1	<p>Motor vehicles and trailers - Addendum</p> <p><i>Amendments are made to sections 2 and 108 of the Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations. This amendment removes several definitions in Section 2, "Interpretations", of the Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations, as the same terms are defined in the Technical Standard Document 108. Other definitions will be added in respect of expressions used in the text of the amended section 108. Section 108.1, "Alternative Requirements for Headlamps", which allows the use of headlamp systems conforming to the United Nations Regulations, is being repealed as the requirements have been placed into standard 108. The regulation incorporates by reference the new Technical Standard Document that reproduces the latest United States safety standard with adaptations where necessary to reflect specific Canadian requirements.</i></p>	—
LIGHTING, SIGNALLING AND WARNING DEVICES	TANZANIA	23/04/2018	G/TBT/N/TZA/156	<p>Retro-reflective registration plates for motor vehicles and trailers</p> <p><i>This Tanzania Standard specifies the minimum requirements for retro-reflective registration number plates for motor vehicles and their trailers. In particular, this Tanzania Standard specifies the photometric and colorimetric characteristics required and also the test specifications applicable to registration number plates.</i></p>	60 days from notification
FUEL SYSTEMS	TANZANIA	23/04/2018	G/TBT/N/TZA/157	<p>Fuel oil meters</p> <p><i>This specification provides the minimum requirements for the design, fabrication, pressure rating, marking, and testing for fuel oil meters (volumetric positive displacement type).</i></p> <p><i>The following safety hazards caveat pertains only to the test method section of this specification. This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.</i></p>	60 days from notification
ROAD VEHICLE SYSTEMS	UNITED STATES	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/USA/693/Add.2	<p>Motor vehicles, seat belt assembly anchorages - Addendum</p> <p><i>This notification announces the availability of documents supplementing NHTSA's March 2015 Supplemental Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (SNPRM) to amend Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 210, "Seat belt assem-</i></p>	—

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				<i>The SNPRM proposed an alternative test procedure that would maintain the current FMVSS No. 210 body blocks and specify zones for the placement of the blocks at preload. The agency has conducted additional research since the publication of the SNPRM. This notification announces the docketing and availability of this research.</i>	
MOTORCYCLES AND MOPEDS	VIET NAM	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/VNM/120	Lead-acid batteries on motorcycles and mopeds <i>This draft technical regulation regulates the technical requirements and inspection of the quality and the technical safety for lead-acid batteries used for starting, lighting and ignition for motorcycles and mopeds. This draft technical regulation applies to the establishments manufacturing, importing the batteries, manufacturing, assembling motorcycles, motorbikes and other agencies and organizations involved in the testing, inspection and certification for quality, technical safety and environment</i>	60 days from notification
MOTORCYCLES AND MOPEDS	VIET NAM	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/VNM/121	Traction batteries used for electric bicycles <i>This draft technical regulation regulates the technical requirements and inspection of traction batteries used for electric bicycles. This draft technical regulation applies to those who manufacture, assemble and import batteries; manufacture, assemble electric bicycles and organizations and individuals involved in management, testing, inspection and certification for the technical safety quality and environment protection of vehicles and other relevant organizations and individuals.</i>	60 days from notification
BUSES	VIET NAM	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/VNM/122	Buses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>This draft technical regulation regulates the test of the urban buses designed for easy access for disabled people (urban buses allowed to carry 17 seats or more including those for disabled people);</i> • <i>This draft technical regulation does not applies to passenger cars as defined in TCVN 6211;</i> • <i>This draft technical regulation applies to the establishments manufacturing and assembling and organizations and individuals importing vehicles and components thereof, and other agencies, organizations and individuals involved in the management, testing, inspection and certification for the quality, technical safety and environment protection of vehicles and components thereof;</i> 	60 days from notification

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This draft technical regulation shall replace the QCVN 82:2014/BGTVT National technical regulation on urban bus designed for easy access for disabled people. 	
MOTORCYCLES AND MOPEDS	VIET NAM	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/VNM/123	<p>Traction batteries used for electric motorcycles and mopeds</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This draft technical regulation regulates the technical requirements and inspection of traction batteries used for electric motorcycles and mopeds. This draft technical regulation applies to those who manufacture, assemble and import batteries; those who manufacture and assemble electric motorcycles and mopeds, and agencies and organizations involved in management, testing, inspection and certification for the quality, the technical safety and environment protection of vehicles. 	60 days from notification
MOTORCYCLES AND MOPEDS	VIET NAM	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/VNM/124	<p>Motor used for electric motorcycles and mopeds</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This draft technical regulation regulates the technical requirements and inspection of motor used for electric motorcycles and mopeds. This draft technical regulation applies to those who manufacture, assemble and import electric motor; who manufacture, assemble and import electric motorcycles and electric mopeds and agencies and organizations involved in management, testing, inspection and certification for the quality, the technical safety and environment protection of vehicles. 	60 days from notification
MOTORCYCLES AND MOPEDS	VIET NAM	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/VNM/125	<p>Motor used for electric bicycle</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This draft technical regulation regulates the quality requirements and inspection of safety of motors used for electric bicycles. This draft technical regulation applies to those who manufacture, assemble and import electric motors; manufacture, assemble and import electric bicycle and agencies and organizations involved in management, testing, inspection and certification for the quality, the technical safety and environment protection of vehicles. 	60 days from notification
TELECOMMUNICATIONS, AUDIO AND VIDEO ENGINEERING					
ELECTROMAGNETIC COMPATIBILITY (EMC)	CANADA	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/CAN/552	<p>Lighting equipment</p> <p>Notice is hereby given by the Ministry of Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada that the following consultation has been published at Web site:</p>	15 June 2018

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interference-Causing Equipment Standard, ICES-005, Issue 5, Lighting Equipment, which sets out limits and methods of measurement of radiated and conducted radio frequency emissions produced by lighting equipment, as well as administrative requirements for such equipment. 	
ELECTROMAGNETIC COMPATIBILITY (EMC)	CANADA	24/04/2018	G/TBT/N/CAN/553	<p>AC wire carrier current devices</p> <p>Notice is hereby given by the Ministry of Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada that the following consultation has been published at Web site:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interference-Causing Equipment Standard, ICES-006, Issue 3, AC Wire Carrier Current Devices (Unintentional Radiators), which sets out limits and methods of measurement of radiated and conducted radio frequency emissions produced by AC wire carrier current devices classified as interference-causing equipment, as well as administrative requirements for such equipment. 	15 June 2018
TELECOMMUNICATION TERMINAL EQUIPMENT	SWITZERLAND	26/04/2018	G/TBT/N/CHE/230	<p>Telecommunication equipment, radio equipment and telecommunication terminal equipment</p> <p>The Ordinance of the Swiss Federal Office of Communications on telecommunications installations (OOIT) specifies the basic technical requirements with regard to telecommunications installations set out by the Swiss Federal Council. It regulates the use of radio interfaces in Switzerland.</p> <p>Radio Interface Regulations will be changed for the following reasons: harmonized standards according to Article 3.2 of the RE-Directive have been updated due to the transition from R&TTED to RED. Harmonized standards according to Article 3.1.b of the RED have been moved from section 13 to section 15 of the RIR according to the guide "Notification of radio interface specifications and radio equipment classes. Notification template and guidance DECEMBER 2017 Endorsed by TCAM and RSC". The wording in general has also been adjusted.</p> <p>The technical and administrative regulations (PTA5.1) which apply to installations and use of power line networks have been reviewed to take in account the latest development of power line technology. These regulations do not impose any requirements on the products but on the network operators.</p>	20 July 2018
TELECOMMUNICATIONS, AUDIO, AND VIDEO ENGINEERING	JAPAN	23/04/2018	G/TBT/N/JPN/595	<p>Wireless LAN system</p> <p>To amend the regulations for the above wireless LAN system.</p>	60 days from notification