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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 proposed 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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Notifications on Agriculture, Domestic and commercial equipment, entertainment and sport, Environment, health protection and safety, Food and beverages, Road vehicles engineering etc. from the European Union, Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda and 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

We are glad to be of service to you!

List of WTO TBT NOTIFICATIONS (25 - 31 March 2017)

Product Sector	Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification Symbol	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
AGRICULTURE					
PESTICIDES AND OTHER AGROCHEMICALS	EUROPEAN UNION	3/29/2017	G/TBT/N/EU/461	Biocidal products <i>This draft Commission Implementing Regulation approves active chlorine released from sodium hypochlorite as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products of product-types 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5.</i>	60 days from notification
PESTICIDES AND OTHER AGROCHEMICALS	EUROPEAN UNION	3/29/2017	G/TBT/N/EU/462	Biocidal products <i>This draft Commission Implementing Regulation approves active chlorine released from calcium hypochlorite as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products of product-types 2, 3, 4 and 5.</i>	60 days from notification

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PESTICIDES AND OTHER AGROCHEMICALS	EUROPEAN UNION	3/29/2017	G/TBT/N/EU/463	Biocidal products <i>This draft Commission Implementing Regulation approves active chlorine released from chlorine as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products of product-types 2 and 5.</i>	60 days from notification
PESTICIDES AND OTHER AGROCHEMICALS	EUROPEAN UNION	3/29/2017	G/TBT/N/EU/464	Biocidal products <i>This draft Commission Implementing Regulation approves peracetic acid generated from tetraacetylenediamine and sodium percarbonate as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products of product-types 2, 3 and 4.</i>	60 days from notification
PESTICIDES AND OTHER AGROCHEMICALS	EUROPEAN UNION	3/29/2017	G/TBT/N/EU/465	Biocidal products <i>This draft Commission Implementing Regulation approves 2-octyl-isothiazol-3(2H)-one as an active substance for use in biocidal products of product-type 8.</i>	60 days from notification
PESTICIDES AND OTHER AGROCHEMICALS	EUROPEAN UNION	3/29/2017	G/TBT/N/EU/466	Biocidal products <i>This draft Commission Implementing Regulation approves 2-methylisothiazol-3(2H)-one as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products of product-type 11.</i>	60 days from notification
PESTICIDES AND OTHER AGROCHEMICALS	EUROPEAN UNION	3/29/2017	G/TBT/N/EU/467	Biocidal products <i>This draft Commission Implementing Decision does not approve 2-methyl-1,2-benzisothiazol-3(2H)-one as an active substance for use in biocidal products of product-type 13. The scenarios evaluated in the environmental risk assessment identified unacceptable risks for the environment (groundwater) for this use. The opinion of the European Chemicals Agency can be found on its website (http://echa.europa.eu/regulations/biocidal-products-regulation/approval-of-active-substances/bpc-opinions-on-active-substance-approval) .</i>	60 days from notification
PESTICIDES AND OTHER AGROCHEMICALS	EUROPEAN UNION	3/31/2017	G/TBT/N/EU/469	Beta-cypermethrin (pesticide active substance) <i>This draft Commission Implementing Regulation provides that the active substance beta-cypermethrin is not approved in accordance with Regulation 1107/2009 and cannot be placed on the market in plant protection products in the EU. The substance is not currently authorized in plant protection products in the EU; the non-approval is based on the first evaluation of the substance for use as a pesticide active substance in the EU under Regulation 1107/2009.</i>	60 days from notification

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				<i>This decision only concerns the placing on the market of this substance and does not affect the Maximum Residue Levels (MRLs) for residues of the concerned pesticide. However, following non-approval, separate action may be taken on MRLs, if necessary, and if so a separate notification will be made in accordance with SPS procedures.</i>	
ANIMAL FEEDING STUFFS	UGANDA	3/30/2017	G/TBT/N/UGA/617	Poultry feed premix <i>This draft Uganda standard specifies requirements for compounded poultry feed premixes used as a sole source of vitamins and trace elements for poultry.</i>	60 days from notification
ANIMAL FEEDING STUFFS	UGANDA	3/30/2017	G/TBT/N/UGA/618	Dairy cattle feed premix <i>This draft Uganda standard specifies requirements for compounded dairy cattle feed premix used in animal feeds.</i>	60 days from notification
TOBACCO, TOBACCO PRODUCTS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT	UNITED STATES	3/29/2017	G/TBT/N/USA/1031/Add.5	Tobacco products - Addendum <i>The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or we) is further delaying the effective date of a final rule published in the Federal Register of 9 January 2017. In the Federal Register of 7 February 2017, we delayed until 21 March 2017, the effective date of the final rule. This action further delays the effective date of the rule until 19 March 2018. FDA has received a petition from affected parties which raises questions about the amendments to the regulations regarding "intended uses" and requests that FDA reconsider these amendments. FDA is further delaying the effective date to invite public comment on the important substantive issues raised by the petition and to allow additional time to fully evaluate these issues and any other issues raised in response to this request for comments. FDA is seeking input on some specific questions, and is also interested in any other pertinent information or comments stakeholders would like to provide regarding any aspect of the final rule, or with respect to issues relating to "intended uses" generally.</i>	19 May 2017

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CHEMICALS					
PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY	UGANDA	3/30/2017	G/TBT/N/UGA/625	Shoe polish <i>This draft Uganda standard specifies requirements, methods of sampling and test methods for shoe polish in form of paste, liquid and cream suitable for the general application to leather footwear.</i>	60 days from notification
DISINFECTANTS AND ANTISEPTICS	UGANDA	3/31/2017	G/TBT/N/UGA/626	Disinfectants <i>This draft Uganda standard specifies requirements and methods of sampling and test for two types of disinfectants/sanitizers based on glutaraldehyde and intended for general use on inanimate surfaces.</i>	60 days from notification
CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS AND BUILDINGS					
BUILDINGS	UNITED STATES	3/28/2017	G/TBT/N/USA/1275/Add.2	Low-rise residential buildings - Addendum <i>This document further temporarily postpones the effective date of a recently published final rule amending the baseline Federal building standards.</i>	—
DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT, ENTERTAINMENT AND SPORTS					
LAUNDRY APPLIANCES	CHILE	3/29/2017	G/TBT/N/CHL/305/Add.1	Dryer - Addendum <i>The Republic of Chile announces that the Technical Specifications for the Design of the Label of energy efficiency for dryers of the Ministry of Energy notified on 2 June 2015 G / TBT / N / CHL / 305 were promulgated on 10 February 2017 in the Decision Special No. 7 (Resolución No. 7 Exenta), which entered into force on 16 February 2017.</i>	—
DISHWASHERS	CHILE	3/29/2017	G/TBT/N/CHL/306/Add.1	Dishwasher - Addendum <i>The Republic of Chile announces that the Technical Specifications for the Design of the Label of energy efficiency for dishwashers of the Ministry of Energy notified on 2 June 2015 G / TBT / N / CHL / 306 were promulgated on 10 February 2017 in the Decision Special No. 8 (Resolución No. 8 Exenta), which entered into force on 16 February 2017.</i>	—
SHOP FITTINGS	UNITED STATES	3/28/2017	G/TBT/N/USA/1189/Add.4	Walk-in coolers and walk-in freezers - Addendum <i>This document further temporarily postpones the effective date of a recently published final rule establishing test procedures for certain walk-in cooler and freezer components.</i>	—

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ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING					
GALVANIC CELLS AND BATTERIES	ECUADOR	3/28/2017	G/TBT/N/ECU/132/Add.3	<p>Electric accumulators - Addendum</p> <p><i>The Republic of Ecuador presents Addendum 3 on the Technical Regulation RTE INEN 115 (1R) "Lead-acid batteries for motor vehicles", notified at G / TBT / N / ECU / 132 of 18 December 2013. This technical regulation was promulgated by means of the Decision (Resolución) No. 17 074 of 2 March 2017 of the Undersecretariat responsible for quality regulation under the Ministry of Industry and Productivity, published in the Official Gazette (Registro Oficial) No. 969 of 23 March 2017.</i></p>	—
ELECTRONICS					
ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS IN GENERAL	THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU	3/31/2017	G/TBT/N/TPKM/258/Add.1	<p>Electrical products - Addendum</p> <p><i>The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu would like to notify that the "Amendment to the legal inspection regulation for 32 items of electrical products", as per G/TBT/N/TPKM/258 on 9 December 2016, was promulgated on 27 March 2017 and will come into effect on 1 January 2018.</i></p>	—
ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH PROTECTION AND SAFETY					
RESPIRATORY PROTECTIVE DEVICES	MEXICO	3/29/2017	G/TBT/N/MEX/181/Add.4	<p>Respirators - Addendum</p> <p><i>AGREEMENT for modification to Official Mexican Standard NOM-116-STPS-2009, Safety-Equipment personal protection-Negative pressure air purifying respirators against particles Notifiable Specifications and Test Methods published on March 24, 2017. On December 22, 2009, the Standard was published in the Official Gazette of the Federation Mexican Official NOM-116-STPS-2009, Security-Personal Protective Equipment-Respirators Negative pressure air purifiers against harmful particles-Specifications and methods test, which is intended to establish the characteristics, minimum requirements and methods of Negative pressure air-purifying respirators harmful substances present in the working environment, which are manufactured, marketed, distributed and imported into the national territory.</i></p>	—

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	UNITED STATES	3/28/2017	G/TBT/N/USA/552/Rev.1/Add.4	Air conditioners, heat pumps - Addendum <i>This document further temporarily postpones the effective date of a recently published final rule establishing test procedures for certain varieties of central air conditioners and heat pumps.</i>	—
ENVIRONMENTAL • ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	UNITED STATES	3/28/2017	G/TBT/N/USA/828/Add.5	Formaldehyde - Addendum <i>In accordance with the Presidential directive as expressed in the memorandum of 20 January 2017, from the Assistant to the President and Chief of Staff, entitled "Regulatory Freeze Pending Review", and the Federal Register document published by EPA on 26 January 2017, EPA is further delaying the effective dates for the five regulations listed in the table below.</i>	—
ENVIRONMENTAL • ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	UNITED STATES	3/28/2017	G/TBT/N/USA/1062/Add.4	Fans - Addendum <i>This document further delays the effective date of a recently published final rule amending the energy conservation standards for ceiling fans.</i>	—
FLUID SYSTEMS AND COMPONENTS FOR GENERAL USE					
MACHINES • COMPRESSORS AND PNEUMATIC MACHINES	UNITED STATES	3/28/2017	G/TBT/N/USA/1122/Add.3	Compressors - Addendum <i>This document further temporarily postpones the effective date of a recently published final rule establishing test procedures for certain varieties of compressors.</i>	—
FOOD AND BEVERAGES					
FRUITS. VEG-ETABLES	BAHRAIN	3/30/2017	G/TBT/N/BHR/472	Cassava <i>This Omani/Gulf draft technical regulation concerns commercial bitter varieties of cassava roots grown from Manihot esculenta Crantz, of the Euphorbiaceae family, to be supplied fresh to the consumer, after preparation and packaging. Cassava for industrial processing is excluded. Items (4, 8 and 9) Requirements, Packaging, Storage & Transportation and labelling are compulsory. Remaining items are voluntary.</i>	60 days from notification

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ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	BRAZIL	3/29/2017	G/TBT/N/BRA/649/Corr.1	Food additives and technology authorized to use in wine - Corrigendum <i>Please be informed that the information contained in G/TBT/N/BRA/649 approving sanitary measure which defines food additives and processing aids authorized in wine is an SPS notification. Therefore, the notification G/TBT/N/BRA/649 is null and void.</i>	—
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	CHILE	3/27/2017	G/TBT/N/CHL/394	Food for human consumption <i>The purpose of the notified proposal is to facilitate the admission of imported countries by abolishing the labeling requirement of the number of the decision of the health authority authorizing the importation.</i>	60 days from the date of the notification
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	JAPAN	3/27/2017	G/TBT/N/JPN/551	Processed foods <i>The scope of the place of origin labelling of ingredients, which currently covers certain categories of processed foods, will be expanded to all processed foods domestically produced and sold. The place of origin of the heaviest ingredient of the processed food should be labelled. Imported processed foods are not required to label the place of origin of the ingredient.</i>	60 days from the date of the notification
MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS	KAZAKHSTAN	3/30/2017	G/TBT/N/KAZ/16	Milk and dairy products <i>Draft amendments No. 2 to the Technical Regulation of the Customs Union "On Safety of Milk and Dairy Products" (TR CU 033/2013) provides clarification of requirements for names and rules of labelling of milk-containing products.</i>	29 May 2017
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	KENYA	3/31/2017	G/TBT/N/KEN/556	Vodka <i>This Standard specifies the requirements and methods of test and sampling for vodka. This standard cover flavoured vodka.</i>	10 May 2017
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	KENYA	3/31/2017	G/TBT/N/KEN/557	Beer <i>This Standard specifies the requirements and methods of sampling and test for beer.</i>	10 May 2017
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	KENYA	3/31/2017	G/TBT/N/KEN/558	Still table wine <i>This Final draft East Africa Standard specifies the requirements and methods of sampling and test for still table wine prepared from fruits.</i>	10 May 2017
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	KENYA	3/31/2017	G/TBT/N/KEN/559	Brandy <i>This Standard specifies the requirements and method of sampling and test for brandy.</i>	10 May 2017
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	KENYA	3/31/2017	G/TBT/N/KEN/560	Potable spirits <i>This Standard specifies requirements and methods of sampling and test for potable spirits.</i>	10 May 2017

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ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	KENYA	3/31/2017	G/TBT/N/KEN/561	Portable spirit <i>This Final draft East Africa Standard specifies the requirements and methods of sampling and test for fortified wine.</i>	10 May 2017
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	KENYA	3/31/2017	G/TBT/N/KEN/562	Neutral spirit <i>This final draft East African Standard specifies the requirements and method of sampling and test for neutral spirit intended for use in the manufacture or blending of alcoholic beverages.</i>	10 May 2017
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	KENYA	3/31/2017	G/TBT/N/KEN/563	Sparkling wine <i>This Standard specifies the requirements and methods of sampling and test for sparkling wine.</i>	10 May 2017
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	KENYA	3/31/2017	G/TBT/N/KEN/564	Gin <i>This Standard specifies the requirements and methods of sampling and test for gin.</i>	10 May 2017
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	KENYA	3/31/2017	G/TBT/N/KEN/565	Whisky <i>This Standard specifies the requirements and methods of sampling and test for whisky (whiskey) .</i>	10 May 2017
FRUITS. VEG-ETABLES	KUWAIT	3/30/2017	G/TBT/N/KWT/354	Cassava <i>This Omani/Gulf draft technical regulation concerns commercial bitter varieties of cassava roots grown from Manihot esculenta Crantz, of the Euphorbiaceae family, to be supplied fresh to the consumer, after preparation and packaging. Cassava for industrial processing is excluded. Items (4, 8 and 9) Requirements, Packaging, Storage & Transportation and labelling are compulsory. Remaining items are voluntary.</i>	60 days from notification
FRUITS. VEG-ETABLES	OMAN	3/30/2017	G/TBT/N/OMN/296	Cassava <i>This Omani/Gulf draft technical regulation concerns commercial bitter varieties of cassava roots grown from Manihot esculenta Crantz, of the Euphorbiaceae family, to be supplied fresh to the consumer, after preparation and packaging. Cassava for industrial processing is excluded. Items (4, 8 and 9) Requirements, Packaging, Storage & Transportation and labelling are compulsory. Remaining items are voluntary.</i>	60 days from notification

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FRUITS. VEG-ETABLES	QATAR	3/30/2017	G/TBT/N/QAT/470	Cassava <i>This Omani/Gulf draft technical regulation concerns commercial bitter varieties of cassava roots grown from Manihot esculenta Crantz, of the Euphorbiaceae family, to be supplied fresh to the consumer, after preparation and packaging. Cassava for industrial processing is excluded. Items (4, 8 and 9) Requirements, Packaging, Storage & Transportation and labelling are compulsory. Remaining items are voluntary.</i>	60 days from notification
FRUITS. VEG-ETABLES	KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA	3/30/2017	G/TBT/N/SAU/974	Cassava <i>This Omani/Gulf draft technical regulation concerns commercial bitter varieties of cassava roots grown from Manihot esculenta Crantz, of the Euphorbiaceae family, to be supplied fresh to the consumer, after preparation and packaging. Cassava for industrial processing is excluded. Items (4, 8 and 9) Requirements, Packaging, Storage & Transportation and labelling are compulsory. Remaining items are voluntary.</i>	60 days from notification
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	TANZANIA	3/27/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/78	Beer <i>This Standard specifies the requirements and methods of sampling and test for beer.</i>	60 days after circulation by WTO Secretariat
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	TANZANIA	3/27/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/79	Neutral spirit <i>This Standard specifies the requirements and method of sampling and test for neutral spirit intended for use in the manufacture or blending of alcoholic beverages.</i>	60 days after circulation by WTO Secretariat
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	TANZANIA	3/27/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/80	Still table wine <i>This Standard specifies the requirements and methods of sampling and test for still table wine prepared from fruits.</i>	60 days after circulation by WTO Secretariat
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	TANZANIA	3/27/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/81	Brandy <i>This Standard specifies the requirements and method of sampling and test for brandy.</i>	60 days after circulation by WTO Secretariat
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	TANZANIA	3/27/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/82	Potable spirit <i>This Standard specifies requirements and methods of sampling and test for potable spirits.</i>	60 days after circulation by WTO Secretariat

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ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	TANZANIA	3/27/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/83	Vodka <i>This Standard specifies the requirements and methods of test and sampling for vodka.</i>	60 days after circulation by WTO Secretariat
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	TANZANIA	3/27/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/84	Fortified wine <i>This Standard specifies the requirements and methods of sampling and test for fortified wine.</i>	60 days after circulation by WTO Secretariat
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	TANZANIA	3/27/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/85	Rum <i>This Standard specifies the requirements and methods of sampling and test for rum.</i>	60 days after circulation by WTO Secretariat
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	TANZANIA	3/27/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/86	Whisky <i>This Standard specifies the requirements and methods of sampling and test for whisky (whiskey) .</i>	60 days after circulation by WTO Secretariat
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	TANZANIA	3/27/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/87	Gin <i>This final draft East African Standard specifies the requirements and methods of sampling and test for gin.</i>	60 days after circulation by WTO Secretariat
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	TANZANIA	3/27/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/88	Sparkling wine <i>This Standard specifies the requirements and methods of sampling and test for sparkling wine.</i>	60 days after circulation by WTO Secretariat
FRUITS AND DERIVED PRODUCTS	UGANDA	3/30/2017	G/TBT/N/UGA/619	Macadamia kernels <i>This draft Uganda standard specifies requirements and methods of sampling and test for macadamia kernels of varieties grown from Macadamia integrifolia, Macadamia tetraphylla, Macadamia ternifolia -Maiden & E.Betche, and their hybrids, intended for human consumption.</i>	60 days from notification
FRUITS AND DERIVED PRODUCTS	UGANDA	3/30/2017	G/TBT/N/UGA/620	Roasted macadamia <i>This draft Uganda standard specifies requirements, methods of sampling and testing for roasted macadamia of varieties (cultivars) grown from Macadamia integrifolia, Macadamia tetraphylla and Macadamia ternifolia, and their hybrids intended for direct consumption.</i>	60 days from notification
FRUITS AND DERIVED PRODUCTS	UGANDA	3/30/2017	G/TBT/N/UGA/621	Cashew kernels <i>This draft Uganda standard specifies requirements and methods of sampling and test for kernels obtained from cashew nuts (Anacardium occidentale Linnaeus) .</i>	60 days from notification

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FRUITS AND DERIVED PRODUCTS	UGANDA	3/30/2017	G/TBT/N/UGA/622	Roasted cashew kernels <i>This draft Uganda standard specifies requirements for roasted cashew kernels.</i>	60 days from notification
CEREALS, PULSES AND DERIVED PRODUCTS	UGANDA	3/30/2017	G/TBT/N/UGA/623	Pulse flour <i>This draft Uganda standard specifies requirements and methods of sampling and test for pulse flour for human consumption. This standard does not apply to soy bean flour for which standards exist.</i>	60 days from notification
MILK AND PROCESSED MILK PRODUCTS	UGANDA	3/30/2017	G/TBT/N/UGA/624	Plant protein-based yoghurt <i>This draft Uganda standard specifies the requirements and the methods of sampling and test for plant protein-based yoghurt obtained from protein isolates.</i>	60 days from notification
FRUITS. VEG-ETABLES	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	3/30/2017	G/TBT/N/ARE/358	Cassava <i>This Omani/Gulf draft technical regulation concerns commercial bitter varieties of cassava roots grown from Manihot esculenta Crantz, of the Euphorbiaceae family, to be supplied fresh to the consumer, after preparation and packaging. Cassava for industrial processing is excluded. Items (4, 8 and 9) Requirements, Packaging, Storage & Transportation and labelling are compulsory. Remaining items are voluntary.</i>	60 days from notification
FRUITS. VEG-ETABLES	YEMEN	3/30/2017	G/TBT/N/YEM/74	Cassava <i>This Omani/Gulf draft technical regulation concerns commercial bitter varieties of cassava roots grown from Manihot esculenta Crantz, of the Euphorbiaceae family, to be supplied fresh to the consumer, after preparation and packaging. Cassava for industrial processing is excluded. Items (4, 8 and 9) Requirements, Packaging, Storage & Transportation and labelling are compulsory. Remaining items are voluntary.</i>	60 days from notification
HEALTH CARE TECHNOLOGY					
IN VITRO DIAGNOSTIC TEST SYSTEMS	EUROPEAN UNION	3/31/2017	G/TBT/N/EU/468	In vitro diagnostic medical devices <i>This draft decision updates the common technical specifications, set out in article 5.3 of the Directive 98/79/EC on in vitro diagnostic medical devices, for some in vitro diagnostic medical devices according to the state of the art, notably regarding HCV antibody/antigen combined tests and Nucleic Acid Amplification techniques ("NAT") assays for HIV.</i>	60 days from notification

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PETROLEUM AND RELATED TECHNOLOGY					
PETROLEUM PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	UNITED STATES	3/28/2017	G/TBT/N/USA/1268/Add.1	Petroleum products in general - Addendum <i>PHMSA is extending the comment period for an advance notice of proposed rulemaking that was published in the Federal Register on 18 January 2017. In response to stakeholder requests, the comment period will be extended for an additional 60 days, from 20 March 2017 to 19 May 2017</i>	19 May 2017
ROAD VEHICLES ENGINEERING					
ROAD VEHICLES IN GENERAL	BAHRAIN	3/28/2017	G/TBT/N/BHR/471	Motor vehicle[...]e identification number (VIN) <i>Delete item No. 4.3 of Gulf Technical Regulation No. GSO 1780:2010 "Vehicles with VIN assigned in compliance with ISO standard is deemed to comply with the requirements of this standard."</i>	60 days from notification
MOTORCYCLES AND MOPEDS	CHILE	3/29/2017	G/TBT/N/CHL/395	Motorcycles <i>Proposed Draft Revision of the Emission Standard for Motorcycles for Purposes of the implementation of the Euro 3 standard for all motorcycles entering Chile.</i>	60 days from the date of the notification
ELECTRIC ROAD VEHICLES	CHILE	3/31/2017	G/TBT/N/CHL/396	Hybrid and electric vehicles <i>Establish applicable technical and safety conditions to electric propulsion vehicles and to those with a hybrid powertrain.</i>	60 days from notification
MOTORCYCLES AND MOPEDS	ECUADOR	3/31/2017	G/TBT/N/ECU/54/Add.7	Motor Vehicles - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador announces, through this Addendum 7, the Second Revision of the Technical Regulations RTE INEN 048 (2R) (Three-wheeled motor vehicles for transport of passengers and goods) notified by means of document G / TBT / N / ECU / 54 / Add.1 of 20 August 2010. This second Revision was promulgated the Resolución No. 17 076 of 6 March 2017 of the Undersecretariat for Regulation of the Ministry of Industry and Productivity, published in Official Journal (Registro Oficial) No. 972 of 28 March 2017.</i>	—
MOTORCYCLES AND MOPEDS	ECUADOR	3/31/2017	G/TBT/N/ECU/177/Add.5	Motorcycles - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador hereby announces, through this Addendum 5, the first revision of the Technical Regulation RTE INEN 136 (1R) (Motorcycles) notified by means of document G / TBT / N / ECU / 177 / Add.1 of 30 October 2014.</i>	—

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				<i>This first Revision was promulgated Of the Decision (Resolución) No. 17 077 of 6 March 2017 of the Undersecretariat for Regulation of the Ministry of Industry and Productivity, published in Official Journal (Registro Oficial) No. 972 of 28 March 2017.</i>	
FUEL SYSTEMS	ECUADOR	3/29/2017	G/TBT/N/ECU/206/Add.2	Oil filters, fuel filters (diesel and petrol) and internal combustion air filters [...] - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador announces by means of this Addendum 2 the Technical Regulations RTE INEN 129 (1R) (OIL FILTERS, FUEL FILTERS (DIESEL AND GASOLINE) AND INLET AIR FILTERS FOR INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINES), which was the subject of the G / TBT / N / ECU / 206 / Add.1 of 29 September 2014. This technical regulation was Resolution No. 17 065 of 9 February 2017 of the Undersecretariat for Quality control under the Ministry of Industry and Productivity, published in Official Journal (Registro Oficial) No. 968 of 22 March 2017.</i>	—
ROAD VEHICLES IN GENERAL	EUROPEAN UNION	3/31/2017	G/TBT/N/EU/470	Vehicles <i>The draft Directive adapts to scientific and technical progress the list of materials and components which are exempt from the prohibition of the use of lead in materials and components of vehicles put on the market after 1 July 2003. The draft Directive amends exemptions 2(c), 3 and 5 of Annex II to the ELV Directive (Directive 2000/53/EC) .</i>	60 days from notification
ROAD VEHICLES IN GENERAL	KUWAIT	3/28/2017	G/TBT/N/KWT/353	Motor vehicle[...]le identification number (VIN) <i>Delete item No. 4.3 of Gulf Technical Regulation No. GSO 1780:2010 "Vehicles with VIN assigned in compliance with ISO standard is deemed to comply with the requirements of this standard."</i>	60 days from notification
ROAD VEHICLES IN GENERAL	OMAN	3/28/2017	G/TBT/N/OMN/295	Motor vehicle[...]le identification number (VIN) <i>Delete item No. 4.3 of Gulf Technical Regulation No. GSO 1780:2010 "Vehicles with VIN assigned in compliance with ISO standard is deemed to comply with the requirements of this standard."</i>	60 days from notification
ROAD VEHICLES IN GENERAL	QATAR	3/28/2017	G/TBT/N/QAT/469	Motor vehicle[...]le identification number (VIN) <i>Delete item No. 4.3 of Gulf Technical Regulation No. GSO 1780:2010 "Vehicles with VIN assigned in compliance with ISO standard is deemed to comply with the requirements of this standard."</i>	60 days from notification

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ROAD VEHICLES IN GENERAL	KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA	3/28/2017	G/TBT/N/SAU/973	Motor vehicle[...]le identification number (VIN) <i>Delete item No. 4.3 of Gulf Technical Regulation No. GSO 1780:2010 "Vehicles with VIN assigned in compliance with ISO standard is deemed to comply with the requirements of this standard."</i>	60 days from notification
ROAD VEHICLES IN GENERAL	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	3/28/2017	G/TBT/N/ARE/357	Motor vehicle[...]le identification number (VIN) <i>Delete item No. 4.3 of Gulf Technical Regulation No. GSO 1780:2010 "Vehicles with VIN assigned in compliance with ISO standard is deemed to comply with the requirements of this standard."</i>	60 days from notification
ROAD VEHICLE SYSTEMS	UNITED STATES	3/28/2017	G/TBT/N/USA/777/Add.4	Hybrid and electric vehicles - Addendum <i>In accordance with the Presidential directive as expressed in the memorandum of 20 January 2017, from the Assistant to the President and Chief of Staff, entitled "Regulatory Freeze Pending Review", this action temporarily delays until 22 May 2017, the effective date of the final rule titled "Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Minimum Sound Requirements for Hybrid and Electric Vehicles", initially scheduled to become effective on 13 February 2017.</i>	—
ROAD VEHICLES IN GENERAL	YEMEN	3/28/2017	G/TBT/N/YEM/73	Motor vehicle[...]le identification number (VIN) <i>Delete item No. 4.3 of Gulf Technical Regulation No. GSO 1780:2010 "Vehicles with VIN assigned in compliance with ISO standard is deemed to comply with the requirements of this standard."</i>	60 days from notification
TELECOMMUNICATIONS, AUDIO AND VIDEO ENGINEERING					
AUDIO, VIDEO AND AUDIO-VISUAL ENGINEERING	CHILE	3/29/2017	G/TBT/N/CHL/304/Add.1	Televisions - Addendum <i>The Republic of Chile announces that the Technical Specifications for the Design of the Label Energy efficiency for Ministry of Energy televisions notified on 2 June 2015 G / TBT / N / CHL / 304 were promulgated on 10 February 2017 in the Decision Special No. 7 (Resolución No. 7 Exenta), which entered into force on 16 February 2017.</i>	—

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WOOD TECHNOLOGY					
WOOD-BASED PANELS	JAPAN	3/27/2017	G/TBT/N/JPN/552	<p>Beta-cypermethrin (pesticide active substance)</p> <p><i>This draft Commission Implementing Regulation provides that the active substance beta-cypermethrin is not approved in accordance with Regulation 1107/2009 and cannot be placed on the market in plant protection products in the EU. The substance is not currently authorized in plant protection products in the EU; the non-approval is based on the first evaluation of the substance for use as a pesticide active substance in the EU under Regulation 1107/2009.</i></p> <p><i>This decision only concerns the placing on the market of this substance and does not affect the Maximum Residue Levels (MRLs) for residues of the concerned pesticide. However, following non-approval, separate action may be taken on MRLs, if necessary, and if so a separate notification will be made in accordance with SPS procedures.</i></p>	60 days from notification
WOOD TECHNOLOGY PROCESSES	UNITED STATES	3/28/2017	G/TBT/N/USA/827/Add.7	<p>Composite wood products - Addendum</p> <p><i>In accordance with the Presidential directive as expressed in the memorandum of 20 January 2017, from the Assistant to the President and Chief of Staff, entitled "Regulatory Freeze Pending Review", and the Federal Register document published by EPA on 26 January 2017, EPA is further delaying the effective dates for the five regulations listed in the table below.</i></p>	—