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### NOTICE TO RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS

Dear Sir/Ma'am:

This refers to the draft regulations distributed through the World Trade Organization – Technical Barriers to Trade (WTO-TBT) website ([www.epingalert.org](http://www.epingalert.org)) from 17 to 23 December 2022.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the four (4) notified draft technical regulations from three (3) WTO Members:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/EGY/3/Add.53</a>	Egypt	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 20 December 2022  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated	Cement: composition, specifications and conformity criteria for common cements - Addendum	This addendum concerns the notification of the Ministerial Decree No. 561 /2022 (2 pages, in Arabic) that gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 4756-1 "Cement - Part 1: Composition, specifications and conformity
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/EGY/3/Add.54</a>	Egypt	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 20 December 2022  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated	Cement: assessment and verification of constancy of performance - Addendum	This addendum concerns the notification of the Ministerial Decree No. 561/2022 (2 pages, in Arabic) that gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 4756-2 "Cement - Part 2: Assessment and verification of constancy of performance" (26 pages, in Arabic).
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/JPN/759</a>	Japan	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 20 December 2022  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 17 February 2023	Glass wool insulating material	Revisions of the standards of judgement under the Act on the Rational Use of Energy, the target fiscal year for meeting the standards, the standards of insulating performance.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/NZL/117</a>	New Zealand	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 20 December 2022	Multipurpose ladders	A multipurpose ladder is a portable ladder with joints which allow it to be folded and rearranged to function as a single- or double-sided ladder,

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

		<b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not Indicated		or other configurations. Since November 2012, the sale, supply or importation of multipurpose ladders which do not comply with official standards has been prohibited due to injuries attributable to structural and stability failures. Multipurpose ladders are currently regulated under the 'Unsafe Goods Notice (Multipurpose Ladders) 2021' (the Notice), enabling the sale, support and importation of ladders in compliance with Australian Standard, AS 1892.1:2018 Portable ladders, Part 1: Performance and geometric requirements (the 2018 Standard), or Australian and New Zealand Standard, AS/NZS 1892.1:1996 (the 1996 Standard). The Notice was intended as a transitional notice allowing for industry to sell old stock that was tested against the 1996 Standard and is due to expire on 5 April 2023.
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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