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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) from 17 to 23 December 2022.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the seven (7) notified draft technical regulations from four (4) WTO Members:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/EGY/70/Add.4	Egypt	Date of Distribution: 20 December 2022 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Toys - 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 7093 "essential requirements for safety of toys" (partial amendment in 1 page, in Arabic).
G/TBT/N/ISR/1242/Add.1	Israel	Date of Distribution: 21 December 2022 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Finger paints - Addendum	The revision will enter into force on 13 February 2023. Nevertheless, both the old standard and the newly revised standard will apply from the entry into force until 13 August 2023. During this transition period, products may be tested according to both editions.
G/TBT/N/ISR/1250/Add.1	Israel	Date of Distribution: 21 December 2022 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Toys - Addendum	The revision will enter into force on 16 February 2023. Nevertheless, both the old standard and the newly revised standard will apply from the entry into force until 16 August 2023. During this transition period, products may be tested according to both editions.
G/TBT/N/KEN/1349	Kenya	Date of Distribution: 19 December 2022 Deadline for Comments: 14 February 2023	Safe play environment for children : playground hazards	This draft standard presents safety information for public playground equipment in the form of guidelines. This is Part 2 of KS 2948. It provides a broad overview of general hazards that should be avoided on playgrounds. It is intended to raise awareness of the risks posed by each of these hazards.

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Membership:

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

G/TBT/N/KEN/1350	Kenya	<p>Date of Distribution: 19 December 2022</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: 14 February 2023</p>	Safe play environment for children : parts of the playground	This draft standard presents safety information for public playground equipment in the form of guidelines. This is Part 4 of KS 2948. It provides a broad overview of parts of a playground.
G/TBT/N/KEN/1351	Kenya	<p>Date of Distribution: 19 December 2022</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: 14 February 2023</p>	Safe play environment for children: maintaining a playground	This draft standard presents safety information for public playground equipment in the form of guidelines. This is Part 3 of KS 2948. It provides a broad overview of maintenance of playgrounds. It is intended to raise awareness of good inspection procedures and maintenance of playgrounds.
G/TBT/N/USA/650/Add.5	United States	<p>Date of Distribution: 20 December 2022</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated</p>	Play yards - Addendum	The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (Commission or CPSC) has two mandatory rules that incorporate by reference applicable provisions of ASTM F406-19, Standard Consumer Safety Specification for Non-Full-Size Baby Cribs/Play Yards. These mandatory rules are: (1) Safety Standard for Non-Full-Size Baby Cribs, and (2) Safety Standard for Play Yards. The Commission received notice from ASTM International that it has revised ASTM F406-19. CPSC seeks comment on whether the revised voluntary standard, ASTM F406-22, improves the safety of the consumer products covered by the standard.

To access the notification form, right click the document symbol to open the hyperlink. Should you have any queries on this matter or request for full text of draft regulation in English, please do not hesitate to email us at BPS@dti.gov.ph copy bps.smd@dti.gov.ph.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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