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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 four (4) notified draft technical regulations from three (3) WTO Members:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/EGY /339	Egypt	Date of Distribution: 20 December 2022 Deadline for Comments: 17 February 2023	Plastic shopping sacks	The Ministerial Decree No. 559 /2022(3 pages, in Arabic) gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian standard ES 3040 which specifies requirements, sampling test methods for single layer plastic shopping sacks in different shapes and dimensions, which are made of thermoplastic and intended to be used in carrying different products. Worth mentioning is that this standard has been formulated according to National Studies.
<u>G/TBT/N/EU/</u> <u>941</u>	European Union	Date of Distribution: 21 December 2022 Deadline for Comments: 18 February 2023	Control- command and signalling subsystems of the rail system	This draft Commission Regulation updates the technical specifications for interoperability relating to the 'control-command and signalling' subsystems affecting both track side and on-board systems
<u>G/TBT/N/TZA</u> /407/Add.1	Tanzania	Date of Distribution: 20 December 2022 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Sisal bags - Addendum	The aim of this addendum is to inform WTO Members that the Draft Tanzania Standard; TDC3 (6308) P3 Textiles – Sisal bags – Specification notified in G/TBT/N/TZA/407 entered into force on 1 April 2022 as Tanzania Standard, TZS 662:2021 Textiles – Sisal bags – Specification. This specification

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<u>G/TBT/N/TZA</u> /408/Add.1	Tanzania	Date of Distribution: 20 December 2022 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	A-Twill jute bags - Addendum	The aim of this addendum is to inform WTO Members that the Draft Tanzania Standard; TDC 3 (6309) P3 Textiles — A-Twill Jute Bags — Specification notified in G/TBT/N/TZA/408 entered into force on 1 April 2022 as Tanzania Standard, TZS 1600:2021 Textiles — A-Twill Jute Bags — Specification. This specification can be purchased by contacting the TBT NEP through nep@tbs.go.tz

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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