

27 April 2023

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 15 to 21 April 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the five (5) notified draft technical regulations from Burundi, Japan, and United States:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/BDI/161/Add.1	Burundi	Date of Distribution: 19 April 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Carbaryl dusting powders - Addendum	Burundi, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda would like to inform WTO Members that the Draft East African Standard; DEAS 361: 202, Carbaryl dusting powders — Specification, Second Edition; notified in G/TBT/N/BDI/161, G/TBT/N/RWA/552, G/TBT/N/TZA/649, G/TBT/N/UGA/1468 was adopted by the East African Community Council of Ministers on 1 July 2022
G/TBT/N/BDI/139/Add.1	Burundi	Date of Distribution: 19 April 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Cigarettes - Addendum	Burundi, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda would like to inform WTO Members that the Draft East African Standard; DEAS 110:2021, Cigarettes — Specification 2nd edition; notified in G/TBT/N/BDI/139, G/TBT/N/KEN/1126, G/TBT/N/RWA/518, G/TBT/N/TZA/628, G/TBT/N/UGA/1412 was adopted by the East African Community Council of Ministers on 1 July 2022
G/TBT/N/JPN/768	Japan	Date of Distribution: 21 April 2023 Deadline for Comments: 19 June 2023	Formic acid as a feed additive	MAFF will add standards and specifications of Formic acid to "Ministerial Ordinance on the Specifications and Standards of Feeds and Feed Additives" (Ordinance No. 35 of July 24th, 1976 of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry).

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- World Trade Organization (WTO) Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT)
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 - National Notification Authority (NNA)

G/TBT/N/US/1519/Add.13	United States	Date of Distribution: 20 April 2023 Deadline for Comments: 19 May 2023	Cigarette packages and advertisements - Addendum	The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that a proposed collection of information has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.
G/TBT/N/US/1984	United States	Date of Distribution: 17 April 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Applicable	Synthetic substances that may be used and the non synthetic (natural) substances that may not be used in organic crop and livestock production	This document announces the renewal of substances listed on the National List of Allowed and Prohibited Substances (National List) within the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) organic regulations. This document reflects the outcome of the 2023 and 2024 sunset review processes and addresses recommendations submitted to the Secretary of Agriculture (Secretary), through the USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS), by the National Organic Standards Board (NOSB).G62

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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