

20 February 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 28 January to 03 February 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the three (3) notified draft technical regulations from China and United States:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/CH N/1713	China	Date of Distribution: 03 February 2023  Deadline for Comments: 03 April 2023	Spark arrester	This document specifies classification, technical requirements, test methods, inspection rules, packaging, marking, transportation, loading and unloading and storage of spark arresters. This document applies to all kinds of spark arresters.
G/TBT/N/USA /1739/Add.1	United States	Date of Distribution: 01 February 2023  Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Firearms with attached "stabilizing braces" - Addendum	The Department of Justice ("Department" or "DOJ") is amending the regulations of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives ("ATF") to clarify when a rifle is designed, made, and intended to be fired from the shoulder. Specifically, under the Gun Control Act of 1968 ("GCA") and the National Firearms Act of 1934 ("NFA") the definition of "rifle" shall include a weapon that is equipped with an accessory, component, or other rearward attachment (e.g., a "stabilizing brace") that provides surface area that allows the weapon to be fired from the shoulder, provided other factors, as described in this preamble and in the amended regulations, indicate that the weapon is

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				designed, made, and intended to be fired from the shoulder.
G/TBT/N/USA	United	Date of	Certain	EPA issued a final rule in the
/1740/Add.1/	States	Distribution:	chemical	Federal Register of Friday, 2
Corr.1		31 January	substances -	December 2022, concerning
		2023	Corrigendum	significant new use rules
				(SNURs) under the Toxic
		Deadline for		Substances Control Act
		Comments:		(TSCA) for chemical
		Not Indicated		substances that were the
				subject of premanufacture
				notices (PMNs) and a
				Microbial Commercial Activity
				Notice (MCAN). This
				document corrects a
				typographical error in the
				regulatory text for the
				chemical substance
				generically identified as
				hindered amine alkyl ester
				compounds (PMN P-16-167).

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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