

24 May 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 06 to 12 May 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the two (2) notified draft technical regulations from Ecuador and European Union:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/NE/CU/501/Add.3	Ecuador	Date of Distribution: 09 May 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Medicines containing controlled substances (narcotics, psychotropics, chemical precursors and specific chemical substances) - Addendum	Partial Amendment to Resolution ARCSEA-DE-2021-006-AKRG issuing the Sanitary Technical Regulation for the regulation and control of medicines containing controlled substances. By means of this Addendum No. 3, the Republic of Ecuador advises that the Sanitary Technical Regulation for the regulation and control of medicines containing controlled substances. The main purpose of Resolution ARCSEA-DE-2023-008-AKRG is to exclude medicines that contain chemical precursors and specific chemical substances from certain control measures, based on the health risk and the risk of diversion for illicit uses of these medicines, in order to facilitate trade.
G/TBT/NE/U/978	European Union	Date of Distribution: 11 May 2023 Deadline for Comments: 09 June 2023	Certain products without an intended medical purpose listed	The draft measure amends the transitional provisions established in Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/2346 (notified under G/TBT/N/EU/866). All the periods are extended and for Annex XVI products covered by a certificate issued by a notified body in accordance

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				with Directive 93/42/EEC, the conditions to benefit from the amended transitional provisions are aligned to those established by Regulation (EU) 2017/745, as amended by Regulation (EU) 2023/607 (notified under G/TBT/N/EU/943).
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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