

15 September 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 26 August to 01 September 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the six (6) notified draft technical regulations from three (3) WTO Members:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/C/HN/1748	China	Date of Distribution: 28 August 2023 Deadline for Comments: 26 October 2023	Packaging for dangerous goods	This document specifies classification of dangerous goods and packages, packaging coding and marking, transport marking and labelling and general requirements of salvage packages. This document applies to salvage packaging and large salvage packaging for dangerous goods other than Class 2- gases, Class 6.2- infectious substances and Class 7-radioactive material.
G/TBT/N/C/HN/1749	China	Date of Distribution: 28 August 2023 Deadline for Comments: 26 October 2023	Labelling of chemicals	This document specifies the terms and definitions related to classification and labelling of chemicals, and also specifies the rules for classification, labelling and SDS of chemicals. This document applies to the classification and labelling of chemicals under the United Nations Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS). Pharmaceuticals, food additives, cosmetics and insecticidal residues in food, etc. are not covered by the labelling in this document when ingested intentionally.

BUREAU OF PHILIPPINE STANDARDS

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)

				However, if workers are likely to be exposed, or there is a potential for exposure during transport, the provisions of this document still need to be followed. Where laws and regulations provide otherwise, such provisions shall prevail.
G/TBT/N/PRY/139/Add.1	Paraguay	Date of Distribution: 31 August 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Miscellaneous edible preparations - Addendum	The Government of the Republic of Paraguay hereby advises that the final date for comments or observations concerning notification G/TBT/N/PRY/139, dated 2 August 2023, relating to Draft Decree No. _____ regulating Law No. 7092/2023 "Front of pack warning labelling for packaged foods" has been extended to 2 October 2023.
G/TBT/N/KOR/1161	Republic of Korea	Date of Distribution: 28 August 2023 Deadline for Comments: 26 October 2023	Unfair labelling and advertising of foods	The proposed amendments are to: 1) Extend the list of herbal medicines and its similar names that could be misinterpreted as medicinal products 2) Allow labeling or advertising of unused raw materials or ingredients
G/TBT/N/KOR/1162	Republic of Korea	Date of Distribution: 28 August 2023 Deadline for Comments: 26 October 2023	Products containing sugar alcohol	Improve labeling of precautions for products containing sugar alcohol - clarify labeling methods for foods
G/TBT/N/KOR/1163	Republic of Korea	Date of Distribution: 28 August 2023 Deadline for Comments: 26 October 2023	Enforcement decree of the act on labeling and advertising of foods	Provisions are newly established to exclude labelling and advertising from unfair labelling and advertising.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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