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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 03 to 09 February 2024.

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

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/NE/GY/397	Egypt	Date of Distribution: 09 February 2024 Deadline for Comments: 08 April 2024	Wooden sleepers for railway track	The Ministerial Decree No. 502 /2023 gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian standard ES 8741-1 which covers the requirements of wooden sleepers and wooden specials used for broad gauge, metre gauge and narrow gauge railway tracks.
G/TBT/NE/GY/398	Egypt	Date of Distribution: 09 February 2024 Deadline for Comments: 08 April 2024	Wood sleepers and bearers for use in railway tracks	The Ministerial Decree No. 502/2023 gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian standard ES 8741-2 which defines wood species, quality requirements, origin, manufacturing conditions, forms, dimensions and tolerances as well as the durability and preservation of wood sleepers and bearers for use in railway tracks. It does not cover specific finishing processes which may be required by the customer. It does not apply to other track timbers.
G/TBT/NU/KR/281/Add.1	Ukraine	Date of Distribution: 06 February 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Railway rolling stock and railway infrastructure - Addendum	Ukraine notifies the adoption of the Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine No. 96 "On Amendments to Paragraph 2 of the Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 26 January 2022 No. 53" of 30 January 2024. The Resolution was published and entered into force on 31 January 2024.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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