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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 22 to 28 June 2024.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the notified draft technical regulations from Ukraine, Canada, Costa Rica and Finland:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/U KR/302	Ukraine	Date of Distribution: 28 June 2024 Deadline for Comments: 27 August 2024	Seeds and planting material	The draft Resolution provides for:- regulation of administrative proceedings for business entities to obtain confirmation for import into Ukraine of samples of seeds and planting material of plant varieties not listed in the State Register of Plant Varieties for breeding, research and exposure, and for export from Ukraine of such samples. This includes ensuring the rights of these business entities to participate in administrative proceedings initiated by the State Service of Ukraine on Food Safety and Consumer Protection upon their request;- granting the Ministry of Agrarian Policy and Food the authority to determine the quantity of seed and planting material samples allowed for import for breeding, research, and exposure purposes.
G/TBT/N/C AN/726	Canada	Date of Distribution: 26 June 2024 Deadline for Comments: 23 August 2024	Pesticides - Residues	Health Canada is proposing amendments to the Pest Control Products Regulations in response to the spring 2022 consultations on the targeted review of the Pest Control Products Act (PCPA). The proposed amendments would:make it easier to access confidential test data (CTD) for research and re-analysis purposes;increase transparency for maximum residue limit (MRL) applications for imported food products;give the Minister of Health the explicit authority to require submission of information on cumulative effects on the environment (CEE);require the Minister of Health to consider CEE during risk assessments where information and methodology are available; andstrengthen consideration of species at risk (SAR) by giving the

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				Minister of Health the explicit authority to require registrants and applicants to submit information on species at risk. The proposed amendments were pre-published on June 15, 2024, and are open to comments for 70 days.
G/TBT/N/C/RI/201	Costa Rica	Date of Distribution: 24 June 2024 Deadline for Comments: 23 August 2024	Hemp	The purpose of this technical regulation is to establish the administrative provisions and requirements for the regulation and control of plant material, derivatives and products of health interest that contain hemp. Likewise, it applies to hemp derivatives and products of health interest: foods, cosmetics, dietary supplements, hygiene products, pesticides for domestic or professional use, dangerous chemical products, equipment and biomedical material.
G/TBT/N/FI/N/88	Finland	Date of Distribution: 24 June 2024 Deadline for Comments: 23 August 2024	Tobacco and related products and their unit packets	Technical details on the health warning required for unit packets of smokeless nicotine products
G/TBT/N/FI/N/89	Finland	Date of Distribution: 24 June 2024 Deadline for Comments: 23 August 2024	Tobacco and similar products	Technical details on the notifications concerning smokeless nicotine products.

To access the notification form, right click the document symbol to open the hyperlink. Should you have any queries on this matter or request for full text of draft regulation in English, please do not hesitate to email us at BPS@dti.gov.ph copy bps.smd@dti.gov.ph.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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