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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 25 to 31 May 2024.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the notified draft technical regulations from United States, The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu, Egypt, India and European Union:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/NU/SA/681/Ad d.8	United States	Date of Distribution: 31 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not indicated	Infant swings - Addendum	The CPSIA sets forth a process for updating mandatory standards for durable infant or toddler products that are based on a voluntary standard, when a voluntary standards organization revises the standard. Consistent with the CPSIA update process, this direct final rule updates the mandatory standard to incorporate by reference ASTM's 2024 version of the voluntary standard. It also revises the mandatory standard to include "cradle swings" to align with the voluntary standard. The rule is effective on 14 September 2024, unless the Commission receives a significant adverse comment by 1 July 2024.
G/TBT/NT/PKM/436/Ad d.2	The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu	Date of Distribution: 30 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not indicated	Children's bedguards for domestic use - Addendum	The purpose of this notification is to provide the final texts of "Amendments to Legal Inspection Requirements for Children's Bedguards" and relevant dates of its implementation. The draft texts notified in "G/TBT/N/TPKM/436" were adopted with minor changes.
G/TBT/NE/GY/178/Ad d.3	Egypt	Date of Distribution: 29 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not indicated	Household and similar electrical appliances : refrigerators, refrigerator-freezers and freezers - Addendum	This addendum concerns the notification of the Ministerial Decree No.142/2024 (2 pages, in Arabic) that gives the producers and importers a twelve-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 3794 for " energy efficiency of household and similar electrical appliances - measurement and calculation methods for energy consumption of refrigerators, refrigerator-freezers and freezers" (87 pages, in Arabic).

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G/TBT/N/IN/D/328	India	Date of Distribution: 28 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: 27 July 2024	Household, commercial and similar electrical appliances	Safety of Household, Commercial and Similar Electrical Appliances (Quality Control) Order, 2024A home appliance, also referred to as a domestic appliance, an electric appliance, or a household appliance, is a machine that assists in household functions such as cooking, cleaning, and food preservation. The Indian Home Appliances Market is segmented by Major Appliances (Refrigerators, Freezers, Dishwashing Machines, Washing Machines, Cookers, and Ovens), Small Appliances (Vacuum Cleaners, Small Kitchen Appliances, Hair Clippers, Irons, Toasters, Grills and Roasters, and Hair Dryers etc.).
G/TBT/N/EU/1065	European Union	Date of Distribution: 27 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: 26 July 2024	Clay targets containing polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons	This draft Regulation would introduce a new entry 50a to Annex XVII to Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006. It would prohibit the placing on the market and use of PAHs in clay targets for shooting.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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