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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 23 to 29 November 2024.

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

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/JP/N/844	Japan	Date of Distribution: 29 November 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not indicated	Feed additives - Isopropyl ester of 2 - hydroxy -4 - (methylthio) butanoic acid	MAFF will designate Isopropyl ester of 2-hydroxy-4-(methylthio) butanoic acid as a feed additive and set the technical regulations and specifications for feed and feed additives to "Ministerial Ordinance on the Specifications and Standards of Feeds and Feed Additives" (Ordinance No. 35 of 24 July 1976 of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry).
G/TBT/N/FIN/85/Rev.4	Finland	Date of Distribution: 26 November 2024 Deadline for Comments: 25 January 2025	Nicotine pouches without tobacco - Revision	Laying down comprehensive regulation on nicotine pouches
G/TBT/N/UK/R/322	Ukraine	Date of Distribution: 26 November 2024 Deadline for Comments: 25 January 2025	Protection against unauthorized access to unit packet of tobacco products	The draft Resolution provides for approval of technical requirements (standards) for security features that ensures protection against unauthorized access to unit packet of tobacco products, which include the following provisions: 1) the composition and quantity of authentication elements to be used in security feature; 2) the method of applying security feature to unit packet of tobacco products; 3) the manufacturing process of security feature; 4) the types of authentication elements included in security feature. Technical requirements have been developed based on Directive 2014/40/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 3 April 2014 on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States concerning the manufacture, presentation and sale of tobacco and related products and repealing Directive 2001/37/EC and Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/576 of 15 December 2017 on technical

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				standards for security features applied to tobacco products.
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Thank you.

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