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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](http://www.epingalert.org)) from 12 to 18 October 2024.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the notified draft technical regulations from: Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda, Lithuania, Belgium, and Chile

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/BDI/235/Add.2</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/KE/N/1252/Add.2</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/RWA/665/Add.2</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/TZA/775/Add.2</a> ; <a href="#">G/TBT/N/UGA/1588/Add.2</a>	Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 18 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not indicated	Compounded dog food - Addendum	The aim of this addendum is to update WTO Members that the Draft East African Standard, DEAS 58 -2:2021, Compounded dog food — Specification — Part 2: Complementary food, First Edition notified in G/TBT/N/BDI/235, G/TBT/N/KEN/1252, G/TBT/N/RWA/665, G/TBT/N/TZA/775, G/TBT/N/UGA/1588, G/TBT/N/BDI/235/Add.1, G/TBT/N/KEN/1252/Add.1, G/TBT/N/RWA/665/Add.1, G/TBT/N/TZA/775/Add.1 and G/TBT/N/UGA/1588/Add.1 was adopted by Uganda on 6 August 2024 as a Uganda Standard, US EAS 58-2:2024, Compounded dog food — Specification — Part 2: Complementary food, First Edition. The Uganda Standard, US EAS 58-2:2024, Compounded dog food — Specification — Part 2: Complementary food, First Edition, can be purchased online through the link: <a href="https://webstore.unbs.go.ug/">https://webstore.unbs.go.ug/</a>
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<a href="#">G/TBT/N/UGA/1731/Add.1</a>	Uganda	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 18 October 2024	Organic fertilizer - Addendum	The aim of this addendum is to inform WTO Members that the Draft Uganda Standard; DUS 1584:2023, Organic Fertilizer — Specification, Second edition; notified in

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<a href="#">G/TBT/N/LTU/52/Add.1</a>	Lithuania	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 17 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not indicated	E-cigarettes - Addendum	The following communication, dated 17 October 2024, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Lithuania.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/BEL/49</a>	Belgium	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 16 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 15 December 2024	Standardised packet to all tobacco products, herbal smoking products and devices, as well as all papers, filters and tubes	The Royal Decree of 13 April 2019 is amended to extend the standardised packet to all tobacco products, herbal smoking products and devices, as well as all papers, filters and tubes. The proposal for standardised packaging for these products is aimed primarily at protecting children and those who do not yet use these products and are therefore sensitive to brand elements or characteristics. It also implements sheet 6.3 of the Interfederal Strategy for a Smoke-Free Generation, 2022-2028. The WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC) was ratified by Belgium in November 2005 and came into force on 31 January 2006. Article 11 of the FCTC lays down strict rules for the labelling of tobacco packages. The guidelines devoted to this article specifically recommend the implementation of standardised packaging: 'The Parties should consider adopting measures to limit or prohibit the use of logos, colours, brand images or promotional texts on packaging other than the brand name and product name printed in normal font and in a standardised colour (plain packaging).
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/BEL/50</a>	Belgium	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 16 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 15 December 2024	Packaging units and outer packaging for cigarettes, roll-your-own tobacco and water pipe tobacco	The Ministerial Decree of 16 April 2019 is amended to extend the standardised packet to all tobacco products, herbal smoking products and devices, as well as all papers, filters and tubes. The proposal for standardised packaging for these products is aimed primarily at protecting children and those who do not yet use these products and are therefore sensitive to brand elements or characteristics. It also implements sheet 6.3 of the Interfederal Strategy for a Smoke-Free Generation, 2022-2028. The WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC) was ratified by Belgium in November 2005 and came into force on 31 January 2006. Article 11 of the FCTC lays down strict rules for the labelling of tobacco packages.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/CHL/706</a>	Chile	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 16 October 2024  <b>Deadline for</b>	Tractors and agricultural machinery other than tractors	Please be advised that the proposed draft amendments to Article 2 and Article 3 of the Emission Standard for Non-Road Machinery, contained in Supreme Decree No. 39 of 2020 of the Ministry of the Environment, are available for consultation. Whereas Supreme

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		<b>Comments:</b> 15 December 2024	Decree No. 39/2020 of the Ministry of the Environment provides that the emission limits for tractors will enter into force on 21 October 2024, these amendments extend that date to 1 January 2030 and also clarify that agricultural machinery other than tractors is not affected by the Standard.
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Thank you.

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