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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 19 to 25 October 2024.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the notified draft technical regulations from: New Zealand, Türkiye, Israel, United Kingdom

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/NZL/133/Add.1</a>	New Zealand	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 23 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> Not indicated	Building products - Addendum	The Building (Overseas Building Products, Standards, and Certification Schemes) Amendment Bill (the Bill) responds to competition issues in the building and construction sector by amending the Building Act 2004 (the Act) to remove barriers to overseas building products entering the New Zealand building product market and being used in New Zealand buildings. It does so by: providing that the Minister for Building and Construction may by notice recognise overseas standards and standards certification schemes streamlining the citing of international standards that can be used with Acceptable Solutions and Verification Methods to comply with the Building Code requiring building consent authorities to accept building products and methods certified under an overseas product certification scheme and recognised by the Chief Executive of the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) by notice.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/TUR/222</a>	Türkiye	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 23 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 22 December 2024	Novel foods	This Communiqué lays down the procedures and principles for the procedure to be applied during the consultation process for determining whether the Turkish Food Codex Regulation on Novel Foods covers a food. In addition, the necessary administrative and scientific requirements are determined in applications for novel foods and traditional foods from other countries.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/ISR/1357</a>	Israel	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 22 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 21 December 2024	Roof waterproofing sheets : poly(vinyl chloride)	Revision of the Mandatory Standard SI 1430 part 1, dealing with Roof waterproofing PVC sheets. This proposed standard revision adopts both the European Standard EN 13956: December 2012 and the American Standard ASTM D4434/D4434M – 21 and allows compliance with either. The major differences between the old version and this new revised draft standard are as follows: In the European route of compliance: Changes the mandatory requirements based on the German Standard DIN V 20000-201: 2006-11,

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				to be voluntary recommendations;In Section 5.2.5 - Deletes the option for the sheets to comply with Israel Standard SI 921.In the American route of compliance:Omittes the requirement to classify the sheets according to fire resistance according to the Israeli standard TI 921.Adopts an updated version of the American Standard.Both the old and the new revised standards will apply from entry into force of this revision for a transition period of six months. During this time, products may be tested according to the old or the new revised standards.
<a href="#">G/TBT/N/GBR/93</a>	United Kingdom	<b>Date of Distribution:</b> 21 October 2024  <b>Deadline for Comments:</b> 20 December 2024	Construction products	The United Kingdom (UK) Government has announced that the recognition of 'Conformité Européenne' (CE) marking for a subset of construction products placed on the market in Great Britain will continue beyond the previously stated deadline of the 30 June 2025. This legislation applies to Great Britain (England, Scotland and Wales).The longer-term future of CE marking (and the UK's 'United Kingdom Conformity Assessed' (UKCA) marking) in Great Britain will be considered as part of the system wide reform of the construction products regulatory regime. Any subsequent changes to the recognition of CE marking would be subject to a minimum 2-year transitional period.

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Thank you.

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