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This publication seeks to provide cohesive information in a weekly basis on the foreign notifications of the WTO members under the TBT agreement on their proposed technical regulations and conformity assessment procedures.

Philippine exporters and relevant stakeholders are invited to review the proposed regulations. Comments that will be received by the BPS will be transmitted to the governments concerned for their consideration.

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Notifications on Agriculture, Chemicals, Domestic and Commercial Equipment, Environment, Health Protection and Safety, Electrical Engineering, Food and Beverages etc. from Brazil, the European Union, Tanzania, Uganda, the United States of America and other countries are listed.

We would like to hear from you. For any questions, suggestions or requests for full text of notified regulations, please contact us at bps@dti.gov.ph

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List of WTO TBT NOTIFICATIONS (13 - 19 May 2017)

Product Sector	Country	Date Notified	TBT Notification Symbol	Product Coverage / Title	Final Date for Comments
AGRICULTURE					
TOBACCO, TOBACCO PRODUCTS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT	BRAZIL	19/05/2017	G/TBT/N/BRA/716	Tobacco products <i>This Draft Resolution provides for advertising, exposure to sale and marketing of tobacco smoking products. The requirements for exposure to sale of tobacco smoking products marketed in the country and other provisions related to the marketing of these products are laid down. This resolution applies to all tobacco smoking products marketed domestically, domestically manufactured and imported, and the exposure of these products to exhibitors or showcases at points of sale. The advertisement of any smoking product derived from tobacco is forbidden, with the exception of the exhibition of the products in exhibitors and showcases, posted in the internal part of the place of sale, unless it is accompanied by health warnings and the message of the prohibition of sale to children under eighteen. The products must not be exposed in close proximity to food products and any other products aimed at the consumption of children and teenagers, so as not to facilitate the visibility and access of tobacco products to children under the age of eighteen.</i>	26 May 2017

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				<p>The use of any device or visual resource, sound or light feature that gives prominence to the exposure of the product packaging is forbidden. Also, the use of any type of casing, device or feature that prevents, obstructs or disguises the display of the warnings and in the exhibitors or showcases mentioned in this Resolution is not allowed.</p> <p>It is allowed that manufacturers and importers make available to the retailers exhibitions or showcases in accordance with the determinations contained in this Resolution before its entry into force. After the entry into force of this Resolution, exhibitors or showcases of tobacco smoking products that are not in accordance with this Resolution shall be removed from the establishments and collected by the responsible company.</p> <p>This resolution comes into force 12 months after its publication.</p>	
PESTICIDES AND OTHER AGROCHEMICALS	EUROPEAN UNION	19/05/2017	G/TBT/N/EU/485	<p>Biocidal products</p> <p>This draft Commission Implementing Regulation approves fludioxonil as an active substance for use in biocidal products of product-types 7, 9 and 10</p>	60 days from notification
PESTICIDES AND OTHER AGROCHEMICALS	EUROPEAN UNION	19/05/2017	G/TBT/N/EU/486	<p>Biocidal products</p> <p>This draft Commission Implementing Regulation approves 2-methylisothiazol-3(2H)-one as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products of product-type 12</p>	60 days from notification
PESTICIDES AND OTHER AGROCHEMICALS	EUROPEAN UNION	19/05/2017	G/TBT/N/EU/487	<p>Biocidal products</p> <p>This draft Commission Implementing Regulation approves margosa extract, cold-pressed oil of Azadirachta indica seeds without shells extracted with super-critical carbon dioxide as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products of product-type 19</p>	60 days from notification
TOBACCO, TOBACCO PRODUCTS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT	SANTA LUCIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/LCA/50	<p>Tobacco products</p> <p>This standard applies to the labelling of individual packages and cartons of tobacco products intended for retail sale in Saint Lucia. This standard specifies the information, the method of display of such information, the wording and presentation of health warnings to be included on the labels of retail packages of tobacco products intended to be sold in Saint Lucia.</p> <p>This standard does not apply to labelling of cases of such individual packages or cartons, irrespective of sizes, provided the cases are not displayed or used at the point of sale.</p>	Already adopted
ANIMAL FEEDING STUFFS	TANZANIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/100	<p>Cattle feed supplements</p> <p>This Draft Tanzania standard specifies requirements, methods of sampling and test for cattle feed supplements. It covers; calf milk replacer feed (milk substitute meal), calf starter feed, heifer grower feed, lactating/ cow feed, fattening feed and dry cow/bull feed.</p>	60 days from notification

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ANIMAL FEEDING STUFFS	TANZANIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/101	Compounded poultry feeds <i>This Draft Tanzania standard specifies requirements, methods of sampling and test for compounded poultry feeds. It covers; broiler starter feed, broiler finishing feed, chick and duck feed, poultry grower feed, turkey starter feed, layer feed and breeders feed.</i>	60 days from notification
ANIMAL FEEDING STUFFS	TANZANIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/102	Dairy cattle premix <i>This Draft Tanzania standard specifies requirements, methods of sampling and test for Cattle feed premixes used in enrich cattle feeds.</i>	60 days from notification
ANIMAL FEEDING STUFFS	TANZANIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/103	Pig feed premixes <i>This Draft Tanzania standard specifies requirements, methods of sampling and test for pig feed premixes used as animal feeds.</i>	60 days from notification
ANIMAL FEEDING STUFFS	TANZANIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/104	Poultry feed premixes <i>This Draft Tanzania standard specifies requirements, methods of sampling and test for poultry feed premixes used as a sole source of vitamins and trace elements for poultry.</i>	60 days from notification
ANIMAL FEEDING STUFFS	TANZANIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/105	Compounded pig feed <i>This Draft Tanzania standard specifies requirements, methods of sampling and test for compounded pig feeds. It covers; pig creep feed, pig growers feed, pig finishing feed, pig breeders feed and sow and weaner feeds.</i>	60 days from notification
CHEMICALS					
SALTS	TANZANIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/90	Sodium silicate for industrial use <i>This Draft Tanzania Standard specifies requirements, sampling and methods of tests for sodium silicate for industrial use. It does not specify requirements for sodium silicate for pharmaceutical industries.</i>	60 days from notification
PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY	UNITED STATES	16/05/2017	G/TBT/N/USA/983/Add.4	Certain chemical substances - Addendum <i>EPA is hereby extending the effective date of the final rule that appeared in the Federal Register of 12 January 2017, and established final reporting and recordkeeping requirements for certain chemical substances when they are manufactured or processed at the nanoscale as described in that rule.</i>	—
PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY	UNITED STATES	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/USA/983/Add.5	Certain chemical substances - Addendum <i>With this document, EPA is announcing the availability of and requesting public comment on the draft guidance document, entitled: "Guidance on EPA's Section 8(a) Information Gathering Rule on Nanomaterials in Commerce". This guidance provides answers to questions the Agency has received from manufacturers (includes importers) and processors of certain chemical substances when they are manufactured or processed at the nanoscale as described in a final rule that appeared in the Federal Register of 12 January 2017. That rule involves one-time reporting for existing discrete forms of certain nanoscale materials, and a standing one-time reporting requirement for new discrete forms of certain nanoscale materials.</i>	15 June 2017

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PRODUCTS OF THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY	UNITED STATES	16/05/2017	G/TBT/N/USA/1240/Add.1	Volaille organic - Addendum <i>The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is approving a state implementation plan (SIP) revision submitted by the State of Maryland. This revision pertains to a provision establishing new volatile organic compound (VOC) content limits and standards for architectural and industrial maintenance (AIM) coatings available for sale and use in Maryland. This action is being taken under the Clean Air Act (CAA) .</i>	—
CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS AND BUILDINGS					
BUILDINGS	UNITED STATES	16/05/2017	G/TBT/N/USA/1290	Building standards <i>Amends rules regarding the building standards related to 2016 California Fire Code.</i>	12 June 2017
DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT, ENTERTAINMENT AND SPORTS					
EQUIPMENT FOR ENTERTAINMENT	BRAZIL	15/05/2017	G/TBT/N/BRA/377/Add.1	Festive or other entertainment articles, including conjuring tricks and novelty jokes <i>This addendum aims at providing with information the adjustments to Technical Requirements (Ordinance 414/2010) to assess conformity and security of festive articles or other entertainment articles carried out by accredited laboratories, by means of Ordinance 94/2017, issued by the National Institute of Metrology, Quality and Technology - Inmetro.</i>	—
EQUIPMENT FOR ENTERTAINMENT	BRAZIL	15/05/2017	G/TBT/N/BRA/396/Add.9	Festive or other entertainment articles <i>This addendum aims at informing that the procedures to assess conformity and security of festive or other entertainment articles set by Ordinance 545/2012, notified under the document G/TBT/N/BRA/396/Add.4 and amended by Ordinance 603/2013 (G/TBT/N/BRA/396/Add.5) were improved by means of Ordinance 94/2017, issued by the National Institute of Metrology, Quality and Technology - Inmetro by rewording Ordinance 545 (items 3 and 4) mainly to give micro and small enterprises the conditions to adapt their products to the requirements approved and duly registered with Inmetro in accordance with the provisions of Law 147/2014.</i>	—
MISCELLANEOUS DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT	BRAZIL	15/05/2017	G/TBT/N/BRA/652/Add.1/Corr.1	Cigarette lighters - Corrigendum <i>This addendum aims at correcting a typographical error in the Technical Regulation for cigarette Gas Lighters, issued by the National Institute of Metrology, Quality and Technology - Inmetro, through the Ordinance No. 562, 29 December 2016, published in the Official Gazette of the Union of 30 December 2016, Section 1, page 343, which reads: "Art. 19. Repeal the Ordinance N° 191/2007, within the period of 48 (forty eight) months after the publication of this instrument." Please read: "Art. 19. Repeal the ordinance N° 191/2007, within the period of 42 (forty-two) months after the publication of this instrument."</i>	—

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CLEANING APPLIANCES	TANZANIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/92	Toilet brush <i>This Draft Tanzania Standard specifies the requirements, methods of sampling and test for commode chute brush used for scrubbing and cleaning toilet bowls.</i>	60 days from notification
CLEANING APPLIANCES	TANZANIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/93	Sweeping brooms <i>This Draft Tanzania Standard specifies the requirements, methods of sampling and test for sweeping brooms used for cleaning surfaces.</i>	60 days from notification
CLEANING APPLIANCES	TANZANIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/94	Wet mops <i>This Draft Tanzania Standard specifies the requirements, methods of sampling and testing of wet mops head with cotton or polyester cotton or any other suitable material strands with a handle.</i>	60 days from notification
CLEANING APPLIANCES	TANZANIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/98	Mop buckets <i>This Draft Tanzania Standard specifies the requirements, methods of sampling and test for strainer mop buckets.</i>	60 days from notification
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING					
MOTORS	BRAZIL	15/05/2017	G/TBT/N/BRA/715	Electric motors (squirrel-cage motor) <i>Technical Regulation establishing rules and minimum levels of energy efficiency for an electric motor with a squirrel-cage rotor, known as a squirrel-cage motor, domestically manufactured or imported, for commercialization or use in Brazil, previously approved by Decree N° 4508, 11 December 2002.</i>	Not applicable
INCANDESCENT LAMPS	PARAGUAY	15/05/2017	G/TBT/N/PRY/92	Incandescent and fluorescent lamps <i>Creation of the Register of manufacturers and importers of incandescent and Fluorescence lamps (Registro de Manufacturers and Importadores de Lámparas Incandescentes y Fluorescent) under the authority of the Ministry of Industry and Trade. Establishment of the prior import license for Incandescent lamps and fluorescent lamps falling within the following tariff headings: NCM 8539.22.00, 8539.31.00, 8539.29.90. Establishment of compulsory certification of energy efficiency.</i>	—
OTHER CELLS AND BATTERIES	THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU	16/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TPKM/272	Chargers and secondary lithium[...]nd electrical assisted bicycles <i>In order to enhance the protection of consumers, the Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection (BSMI) proposes to regulate chargers and secondary lithium batteries for electrical bicycles and electrical assisted bicycles. For chargers, the inspection standards are CNS 15425-1 for safety, CNS 13438 for EMC, and section 5 of CNS 15663 for marking of presence conditions of 6 hazardous substances. For secondary lithium batteries, the inspection standards are CNS 15424-1, 15424-2 and 15387. The conformity assessment procedure for all such products will be the Registration of Product Certification (RPC) Scheme (Module II+ III) .</i>	60 days from notification

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ENERGY AND HEAT TRANSFER ENGINEERING					
ENERGY AND HEAT TRANSFER ENGINEERING IN GENERAL	BRAZIL	15/05/2017	G/TBT/N/BRA/534/Add.3	Drinking water dispensers - Addendum <i>This addendum aims at informing that Technical Regulation for water dispensers issued by National Institute of Metrology, Quality and Technology - Inmetro, notified under the document G/TBT/N/BRA/534/Add.1 was reworded by means of Ordinance 92, 4 May 2017, amending items 1; 4; 5; as well as Annex 'A'; 'B'; 'D' and 'E' of Ordinance 394, 25 August 2014, becoming part of the ordinance 92/2017 as Annex II, maintaining other provisions contained in the Ordinance 394/2014.</i>	—
ENERGY AND HEAT TRANSFER ENGINEERING IN GENERAL	BRAZIL	15/05/2017	G/TBT/N/BRA/569/Add.5	Water dispensers - Addendum <i>This addendum aims at informing that Conformity Assessment Procedures for Water dispensers issued by National Institute of Metrology, Quality and Technology - Inmetro, notified under the document G/TBT/N/BRA/569/Add.1 with a focus on safety requirements, energy efficiency, through a compulsory third party certification, carried out by an accredited body, was reworded by means of Ordinance 92, 4 May 2017, amending items 5; 6; 7, as well as item 1; 3; 4; 6; replace schedule 1; include schedule 2 and figures A4 and A5; reword sub-item A3 in Annex A, as Part of the Annex I. Besides, it rewords item 8 by revoking Ordinance 191/2003 and Ordinance 93/2007, maintaining other provisions contained in the Ordinance 344/2014.</i>	—
SOLAR ENERGY ENGINEERING	INDIA	17/05/2017	G/TBT/N/IND/59	Solar photovoltaics <i>Solar Photovoltaics, Systems, Devices and Components Goods (Requirements for Compulsory Registration) Order, 2017 details the requirement of standardization of these products and compulsory registration thereof for the system manufacturer.</i>	60 days from the date of circulation of notification
ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH PROTECTION AND SAFETY					
AIR QUALITY	MEXICO	15/05/2017	G/TBT/N/MEX/332/Add.1	Vapour recovery systems - Addendum <i>Notice extending for six months as of 16 May 2017 the period of application of Emergency Mexican Official Standard NOM-EM-002-ASEA-2016 establishing test methods and parameters for the operation, maintenance and efficiency of gasoline vapour recovery systems in service stations selling gasoline to the public, for emission control purposes, published in the Mexican Official Journal on 14 November 2016.</i>	—
AIR QUALITY	UNITED STATES	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/USA/1224/Corr.1	Continuous opacity monitoring - Corrigendum <i>This document corrects an omission in the rule language of a final rule pertaining to changes and amendments to Maryland regulations for continuous opacity monitoring (COM or COMs) and continuous emissions monitoring (CEM or CEMs) and to an amendment adding requirements for quality assurance and quality control as they pertain to COMs. EPA approved these revisions to the COMs and CEMs requirements in accordance with the requirements of the Clean Air Act (CAA) .</i>	—

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FOOD AND BEVERAGES					
SUGAR. SUGAR PRODUCTS. STARCH	ECUADOR	16/05/2017	G/TBT/N/ECU/328/Add.1	Sugar labelling - Addendum <i>By means of this Addendum No. 1, the Republic of Ecuador advises that Ecuadorian Standardization Institute Technical Regulation (RTE INEN) No. 160 "Sugar labelling", notified on 20 September 2016 in document G/TBT/N/ECU/328, was issued pursuant to Resolution No. 17 156 of 13 April 2017 of the Under-Secretariat for the Quality System of the Ministry of Industry and Productivity, published in Official Journal No. 1003 of 12 May 2017.</i>	—
COFFEE AND COFFEE SUBSTITUTES	NICARAGUA	17/05/2017	G/TBT/N/NIC/152	Café vert Robusta <i>The notified document shall define the classification, quality specifications, methods of analysis and sampling, packaging and labeling of Robusta green coffee for export and marketing purposes. It applies to green coffee beans of the species Coffea canephora or Robusta green coffee and To any natural or legal person involved in the processing and / or processing of marketing of this product.</i>	60 days from the date of notification
FOOD PRODUCTS IN GENERAL	SWITZERLAND	16/05/2017	G/TBT/N/CHE/202/Add.1	Foodstuffs and usual articles - Addendum <i>The new Swiss food law entered into force on 1 May 2017. It comprises four Ordinances of the Federal Council, twenty-three ordinances of the Federal Department of the Interior (DFI) and three ordinances of the Federal Office for Food Safety and Veterinary Affairs (LFV). Until now, only the foodstuffs explicitly specified in the ordinances. All other foodstuffs should be subject to authorization to be admitted to the market. It is now the reverse: under the revised law, it is sufficient that the foodstuffs are safe and meet legal requirements in order to be able to placed on the market. These conditions guarantee the protection of health and the protection of against deceit.</i>	—
CEREALS, PULSES AND DERIVED PRODUCTS	TANZANIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/89	Macaroni, spaghetti, vermicelli and noodles <i>This Draft Tanzania Standard prescribes the requirements, methods of sampling and test for macaroni, spaghetti, vermicelli and noodles intended for human consumption.</i>	60 days from notification
CEREALS, PULSES AND DERIVED PRODUCTS	TANZANIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/95	Cakes <i>This Draft Tanzania Standard prescribes the requirements, methods of sampling and test for cakes intended for direct human consumption. Also it applies to plain cakes, fruitcakes, sponge cakes and specialty cakes.</i>	60 days from notification
CEREALS, PULSES AND DERIVED PRODUCTS	TANZANIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/96	Buns <i>This Draft Tanzania Standard prescribes the requirements, methods of sampling and test for buns intended for direct human consumption.</i>	60 days from notification
CEREALS, PULSES AND DERIVED PRODUCTS	TANZANIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/97	Cookies <i>This Draft Tanzania Standard prescribes the requirements, methods of sampling and test for cookies baked from batter intended for direct human consumption.</i>	60 days from notification

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ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	TANZANIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/108	Fruit wine <i>This Draft Tanzania Standard specifies the requirements and methods of sampling and test for fruit wines for human consumption. It does not cover wine produced from grape fruits.</i>	60 days from notification
SUGAR AND SUGAR PRODUCTS	TANZANIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/110	Refined sugar <i>This Draft Tanzania Standard prescribes the requirements and the methods of sampling and test for refined sugar intended for industrial use or direct human consumption.</i>	60 days from notification
SUGAR AND SUGAR PRODUCTS	TANZANIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/111	Brown sugar <i>This Draft Tanzania Standard prescribes the requirements and the methods of sampling and test for light brown and brown sugar intended for human consumption.</i>	60 days from notification
SUGAR AND SUGAR PRODUCTS	TANZANIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/112	Stinging bee honey <i>This Draft Tanzania Standard prescribes the requirements and the methods of sampling and test for honey, produced by stinging honeybees (Apis mellifera) intended for direct human consumption and industrial use.</i>	60 days from notification
SUGAR AND SUGAR PRODUCTS	TANZANIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/113	Icing sugar <i>This Draft Tanzania Standard prescribes the requirements and the methods of sampling and test for icing sugar.</i>	60 days from notification
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	UGANDA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/UGA/673	Beer <i>This draft Uganda Standard specifies requirements and methods of sampling and test for beer.</i>	60 days from notification
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	UGANDA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/UGA/674	Potable spirit <i>This draft Uganda Standard specifies requirements and methods of sampling and test for potable spirit.</i>	60 days from notification
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	UGANDA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/UGA/675	Still table wine <i>This draft Uganda Standard specifies requirements and methods of sampling and test for still table wine prepared from fruits.</i>	60 days from notification
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	UGANDA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/UGA/676	Fortified wine <i>This draft Uganda Standard specifies requirements and methods of sampling and test for fortified wine.</i>	60 days from notification
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	UGANDA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/UGA/677	Sparkling wine <i>This draft Uganda Standard specifies requirements and methods of sampling and test for sparkling wine.</i>	60 days from notification
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	UGANDA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/UGA/678	Whisky <i>This draft Uganda Standard specifies requirements and methods of sampling and test for whisky (whiskey) .</i>	60 days from notification
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	UGANDA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/UGA/679	Vodka <i>This draft Uganda Standard specifies requirements and methods of sampling and test for vodka. This standard covers flavoured vodka.</i>	60 days from notification

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ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	UGANDA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/UGA/680	Brandy <i>This draft Uganda Standard specifies requirements and methods of sampling and test for brandy.</i>	60 days from notification
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	UGANDA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/UGA/681	Neutral spirit <i>This draft Uganda Standard specifies requirements and methods of sampling and test for neutral spirit intended for use in the manufacture or blending of alcoholic beverages.</i>	60 days from notification
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	UGANDA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/UGA/682	Gin <i>This draft Uganda Standard specifies requirements and methods of sampling and test for gin.</i>	60 days from notification
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	UGANDA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/UGA/683	Rum <i>This draft Uganda Standard specifies requirements and methods of sampling and test for rum.</i>	60 days from notification
CEREALS, PULSES AND DERIVED PRODUCTS	UNITED STATES	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/USA/1292	Lentils <i>The United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Grain Inspection, Packers, and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) is proposing a revision to the United States Standards for Lentils to (1) establish an additional grading factor, definition, grade requirements, and visual reference images for "wrinkled lentils", and (2) establish a special grade, definition, special grade requirements, designation, and visual reference images for "green lentils". These revisions are being proposed at the request of the lentil industry. GIPSA believes that this proposed revision of the United States Standards for Lentils would improve the application of the standards and facilitate the marketing of lentils.</i>	14 June 2017
GENERALITIES, TERMINOLOGY, STANDARDIZATION AND DOCUMENTATION					
GENERALITIES. TERMINOLOGY. STANDARDIZATION. DOCUMENTATION	THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU	17/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TPKM/273	Toilets and washing machines <i>The Water Resource Agency is making a preannouncement on the designation of toilets and washing machines as water equipment, sanitary ware or other equipment mentioned in Paragraph 3, Article 95-1 of the Water Supply Act that require Water Efficiency Labelling. The scheduled implementation date is 1 July 2017. Violators shall be fined NT\$ 40,000 to NT\$ 200,000 according to Article 98-1 of the Water Supply Act and ordered to take corrective actions within a specified time limit. Penalties may be consecutively imposed on those who fail to take corrective actions within the time limit.</i>	60 days from notification
HEALTH CARE TECHNOLOGY					
DIAGNOSTIC EQUIPMENT	BRAZIL	19/05/2017	G/TBT/N/BRA/717	Liquid-in-glass thermometers <i>This Draft Technical Metrological Regulation (RTM), establishes the requirements for liquid -in-glass thermometers used to measure the temperature of oil, its by-products and liquid biofuels when stored in tanks or transported in road tank vehicles. It revokes Ordinances: n° 245/2000, n° 71/2003, n° 441/2011 and n° 442/2011.</i>	10 July 2017

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MEDICAL EQUIPMENT	JAPAN	16/05/2017	G/TBT/N/JPN/559	Medical devices <i>The Minimum Requirements for Reprocessed Single-use Medical Devices will be established.</i>	60 days from notification
PHARMACEUTICS	PERU	19/05/2017	G/TBT/N/PER/94	Pharmaceutical products <i>The purpose of this Regulation is:</i> - To establish the norms that regulate the development of the studies of stability of the proprietary medicines. - Establish the information that must contain the document required for the evaluation of stability studies on enrollment, re-enrollment or changes in enrollment pharmaceutical specialties.	16 August 2017
MANUFACTURING ENGINEERING					
MACHINE TOOLS	UNITED STATES	16/05/2017	G/TBT/N/USA/1289	Table saws <i>The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission has determined preliminarily that there may be an unreasonable risk of blade-contact injuries associated with table saws. In 2015, there were an estimated 33,400 table saw, emergency department-treated injuries. Of these, CPSC staff estimates that 30,800 (92%) are likely related to the victim making contact with the saw blade. CPSC staff's review of the existing data indicates that currently available safety devices, such as the modular blade guard and riving knife, do not adequately address the unreasonable risk of blade-contact injuries on table saws. To address this risk, the Commission proposes a rule that is based, in part, on work conducted by Underwriters Laboratories Inc. The proposed rule would establish a performance standard that requires table saws, when powered on, to limit the depth of cut to 3.5 millimeters when a test probe, acting as surrogate for a human body/finger, contacts the spinning blade at a radial approach rate of 1 meter per second (m/s) . The proposed rule would address an estimated 54,800 medically treated blade-contact injuries annually. The Commission estimates that the proposed rule's aggregate net benefits on an annual basis could range from about \$625 million to about \$2,300 million.</i>	26 July 2017
METALLURGY					
STEELS FOR PRESSURE PURPOSES	REPUBLIC OF KOREA	16/05/2017	G/TBT/N/KOR/717	Boilers, pressure vessels, ferrous metal heating furnace • Name of decree: Enforcement regulations of Energy Use Rationalization Act • Main substance: establishing the fee of Manufacturing inspection of imported Machinery and Equipment Subject, Specifying types and Standards of Inspection of Manufacturing inspection of imported Machinery and Equipment Subject. etc.	60 days from notification

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METROLOGY AND MEASUREMENT AND PHYSICAL PHENOMENA					
MEASURING INSTRUMENTS	SANTA LUCIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/LCA/51	Theodolites <i>The British Imperial System of units specified in Part 2 of Schedule 2 of the Metrology Act, Cap. 13.18 ceases to have legal force and validity in the Mapping, Land Surveys & Titles (MSC 1.5. and MSC 3.5) sub-sectors of Central Government from and after 31 January 2016.</i>	Not applicable. This measure has already been adopted
PAINT AND COLOR TECHNOLOGIES					
COATING • PAINT COATING EQUIPMENT	TANZANIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/91	Painters' brushes <i>This Draft Tanzania Standard specifies the requirements, testing methods and sampling procedure for painters' brushes intended to be used for painting, decorations and other general purpose.</i>	60 days from notification
PETROLEUM AND RELATED TECHNOLOGIES					
LUBRICANTS, INDUSTRIAL OILS AND RELATED PRODUCTS	TANZANIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/106	Engine coolants <i>This Draft Tanzania Standard specification covers the requirements for ethylene glycol or propylene glycol base engine coolants used in automobiles or other light duty service cooling systems.</i>	60 days from notification
LUBRICANTS, INDUSTRIAL OILS AND RELATED PRODUCTS	TANZANIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/107	Automotive service greases <i>This Draft Tanzania Standard covers the specification, testing methods and sampling of lubricating greases suitable for the periodic re-lubrication of chassis system and wheel bearing of passenger cars, trucks, light duty and heavy duty vehicles. It defines the requirements used to describe the properties and performance characteristics of chassis greases, and wheel bearing greases for full service application. It also describes two types of automotive greases designated as 'L' prefix for chassis greases intended for lubrication of ball joint steering pivots, universal joints and other chassis components as designated by the equipment manufacturer. Those designated with a 'G' prefix are intended for lubrication of wheel bearings.</i>	60 days from notification
PETROLEUM AND RELATED TECHNOLOGIES	VIET NAM	17/05/2017	G/TBT/N/VNM/95	Liquefied petroleum gas, liquefied natural gas, compressed natural gas <i>This draft Decree sets regulation on gas-related business and conditions for doing business on gas in Viet Nam, including:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conditions for granting Certificate of eligibility for importers and exporters of gas; • Conditions for producers and manufacturers of gas; • Conditions for granting Certificate of eligibility for trader of gas; • Conditions for granting Certificate of eligibility for LPG retailers; • Conditions for granting Certificate of eligibility for stations filling LPG into bottles, stations filling LPG into tanker trucks, stations filling LPG/LNG/CNG into transportation vehicles; • Conditions for granting Certificate of eligibility for LPG/LNG/CNG supply stations; • Conditions for granting Certificate of eligibility for producing and repairing LPG bottles; 	60 days from notification

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conditions for granting Certificate of eligibility for accrediting LPG bottles; • Conditions for LPG, LPG bottles made available on the market. <p>Accordingly, traders shall only import, make available and consume gases with qualities which conform to national technical regulations and applicable standards; This Decree shall replace the Decree No.19/2016/NĐ-CP of 22 March 2016 of the Government on gas business.</p>	
ROAD VEHICLES ENGINEERING					
BRAKING SYSTEMS	JAMAICA	19/05/2017	G/TBT/N/JAM/56	Brake fluid <i>This document specifies requirements for fluids for use in hydraulic brake systems of motor vehicles, containers for these fluids, and labelling of the containers.</i>	28 June 2017
PASSENGER CARS, CARAVANS AND LIGHT TRAILERS	TANZANIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/99	Passenger cars <i>This Draft Tanzania standard specifies the requirements of modified passenger compartment design for transportation.</i>	60 days from notification
SPECIAL PURPOSE VEHICLES	TANZANIA	18/05/2017	G/TBT/N/TZA/109	Modified safari vehicles <i>This Draft Tanzania standard specifies general and specific requirements of modified motor vehicles that are used in wildlife hunting and transportation of tourist within Tanzania national parks and other tourist attractions.</i>	60 days from notification
RUBBER AND PLASTIC INDUSTRIES					
ROAD VEHICLE TYRES	JAMAICA	19/05/2017	G/TBT/N/JAM/57	Pneumatic tyres <i>This document specifies tyre dimensions and laboratory test requirements for bead unseating resistance, strength, endurance, and high-speed performance; defines tyre load ratings and other relevant terms; and specifies labelling requirements for passenger car tyres.</i>	28 June 2017
ROAD VEHICLE TYRES	JAMAICA	19/05/2017	G/TBT/N/JAM/58	Pneumatic tyres <i>This document specifies performance and marking requirements for tyres for use on multipurpose passenger vehicles, trucks, buses, trailers, and motorcycles.</i>	28 June 2017
TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND AUDIO AND VIDEO ENGINEERING					
AUDIO, VIDEO AND AUDIOVISUAL ENGINEERING	ECUADOR	19/05/2017	G/TBT/N/ECU/99/Add.3	Televisions - Addendum <i>The Republic of Ecuador communicates and announces Addendum 3 corresponding to the first revision of the REN INEN 083 (1R) "TELEVISIONS WITH STANDARD TUNER OF ISDB-T INTERNATIONAL DIGITAL TELEVISION ", notified through the document identified with G / TBT / N / ECU / 99 / Add.1 of 28 January 2014. This First issued by Resolution No. 17 199 of April 28, 2017, issued by the Undersecretariat of the Quality System of the Ministry of Industries and Productivity, published in the Register Official No. 1004 of May 15, 2017.</i>	—