

Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATIONS ISSUED DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2006

Note by the Secretariat

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In the Second Triennial Review of the Operation and Implementation of the TBT Agreement (concluded in November 2000), Members instructed the Secretariat to prepare a monthly list of notifications. The attached table contains a list of all notifications issued during the month of December 2006, which includes a total of 72 new notifications by 27 Members.

Member	Notification and Date of Circulation	Article	Product/Measure	Objective	Deadline for Comments
Albania	G/TBT/N/ALB/6 14/12/2006	2.9.2	Unleaded petrol and diesel.	(i) To prevent the import and trade of the unleaded petrol that does not fulfil the requirements in Annex 1 included in this decree; and (ii) to decrease the sulphur content in the automotive fuels.	12/02/2007
Armenia	G/TBT/N/ARM/47 05/12/2006	2.9.2	Fresh fruit and vegetable (HS: 0701, 070200000, 0703, 0704, 0705, 0706, 070700050, 0708, 070910000, 070920000, 070930000, 070960, 070990700, 0801, 0802, 080300, 0804, 0805, 0806, 0807, 0808, 0809, 081010000, 081020, 081030, 081050000)	Ensure protection of human health and environment.	15/01/2007
Brazil	G/TBT/N/BRA/229 13/12/2006	2.9.2	Products used in tattoo.	Protection of Human Health.	31/12/2006
	G/TBT/N/BRA/230 13/12/2006	2.9.2	Intra-uterine Contraceptive.	Protection of Human Health.	31/12/2006
Canada	G/TBT/N/CAN/184 13/12/2006	2.9.2	Methyl Bromide (ICS: 13.020, 71.100)	Protection of the environment and human health.	31/01/2007
	G/TBT/N/CAN/185 13/12/2006	5.6.2	Motor Vehicles (ICS: 43.040, 43.080, 43.140)	Protection of human safety.	15/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/CAN/186 13/12/2006	2.9.2 5.6.2	Motor Vehicles (ICS: 43.040, 83.160)	Protection of human safety.	15/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/CAN/187 20/12/2006	2.9.2 5.6.2	Low-Speed Vehicles (ICS: 43.020)	Protection of human safety.	Not specified
	G/TBT/N/CAN/188 20/12/2006	2.9.2 5.6.2	Vessels (ICS: 47.040)	Protection of human safety.	08/01/2007

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Chile	G/TBT/N/CHL/57 04/12/2006	5.6.2	Gas-fired heating boilers.	Safety.	30/01/2007
	G/TBT/N/CHL/58 01/12/2006	5.6.2	Gas-fired combination boilers (combined central heating boiler and water heater).	Safety.	30/01/2007
Colombia	G/TBT/N/COL/80 01/12/2006	2.9.2	Food supplements.	Prevention of practices likely to mislead the consumer.	27/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/COL/81 12/12/2006	2.9.2	Pre-packaged food for human consumption.	Prevention of practices likely to mislead consumers.	07/03/2007
	G/TBT/N/COL/82 22/12/2006	2.9.2	Meat, edible meat products and meat by-products.	Protection of human life and health and the environment, and prevention of practices likely to mislead the consumer.	20/03/2007
	G/TBT/N/COL/83 22/12/2006	2.9.2	Whey powder.	Protection of human health and safety and prevention of practices likely to mislead the consumer.	21/03/2007
Costa Rica	G/TBT/N/CRI/54 05/12/2006	2.9.2	Solidified sugar cane juice (tapa de dulce) and granulated sugar cane juice (dulce granulado).	Protection of human health.	03/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/CRI/55 05/12/2006	2.9.2	ICS code: 67.080	Protection of human health.	03/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/CRI/56 05/12/2006	2.9.2	International Classification for Standards (ICS: 67.100)	Protection of human health.	03/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/CRI/57 20/12/2006	2.9.2	International Classification for Standards (ICS: 75.160.20)	Prevention of practices likely to deceive the consumer and for environmental protection.	18/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/CRI/58 21/12/2006	2.9.2	ICS code: 71.100	Prevention of practices likely to deceive the consumer and protection of human health.	19/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/CRI/59 20/12/2006	2.9.2	ICS code: 65.100	Protection of the environment and health.	18/02/2007

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El Salvador	G/TBT/N/SLV/100 18/12/2006	2.9.2	Pesticides for domestic use (ICS: 65.100)	Protection of health and the environment.	16/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/SLV/101 18/12/2006	2.9.2	Biofuels (ICS: 75.160.20)	Prevention of practices likely to deceive the consumer and environmental protection.	16/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/SLV/102 18/12/2006	2.9.2	Cosmetic products (ICS: 71.100)	Prevention of practices likely to deceive the consumer and protection of human health.	16/02/2007
European Communities	G/TBT/N/EEC/137 06/12/2006	2.9.2	Feed additives of the category "coccidiostats and histomonostats".	The approval of certain feed business establishments; the possibility to extend the scope of the approval requirements.	04/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/EEC/138 11/12/2006	2.9.2	Vitamins and minerals and certain other substances which are added to food.	To harmonise the rules governing the manufacturing and marketing of these products in the EU in order to ensure that such products marketed are safe.	10/01/2007
France	G/TBT/N/FRA/58 20/12/2006	2.9.2	Built environment.	This Implementing Order translates the requirements of Decree No. 2006-555 into mandatory technical provisions (statutory thresholds).	01/03/2007
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Guatemala	G/TBT/N/GTM/52 20/12/2006	2.9.2	ICS code: 75.160.20	Prevention of practices likely to deceive the consumer and environmental protection.	18/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/GTM/53 20/12/2006	2.9.2	ICS code: 65.100	Protection of the environment and health.	18/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/GTM/54 20/12/2006	2.9.2	ICS code: 71.100	Prevention of practices likely to mislead the consumer and protection of human health.	18/02/2007
Honduras	G/TBT/N/HND/41 18/12/2006	2.9.2	ICS code: 65.100	Protection of health and the environment.	16/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/HND/42 18/12/2006	2.9.2	ICS code: 71.100	Prevention of practices likely to deceive the consumer and protection of human health.	16/02/2007
India	G/TBT/N/IND/22 07/12/2006	2.9.2	All medicines.	Consumer information and to avoid deceptive practices.	Not specified
Italy	G/TBT/N/ITA/8 07/12/2006	2.9.2	Electrical or physical devices for the preparation of water intended for human consumption.	To issue the hygienic sanitary principles to be respected by the devices for the preparation of water intended for human consumption.	19/02/2007
Japan	G/TBT/N/JPN/190 11/12/2006	2.9.2	A gas instantaneous water heater, a bath boiler with gas burner.	Product safety.	31/01/2007
	G/TBT/N/JPN/191 13/12/2006	2.9.2	Chemicals with possible effects on central nerve systems.	In order to control the abuse of chemicals with effects on central nerve systems.	22/01/2007
	G/TBT/N/JPN/192 13/12/2006	2.9.2	Medicine.	To establish the manufacturing process, properties, quality, storage, etc. of medicine to which special attention must be paid for the attainment of public health and sanitation.	22/01/2007

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Kenya	G/TBT/N/KEN/79 12/12/2006	2.10.1	Water quality (HS: 987999; ICS: 13.060)	Protection of human health and the environment.	Not specified
	G/TBT/N/KEN/80 12/12/2006	2.10.1	Waste management (HS: 987999, ICS: 13.030).	Protection of human health and the environment.	Not specified
	G/TBT/N/KEN/81 12/12/2006	2.9.2	Radio frequency radiation (HS: 903010; ICS: 13.280)	Protection from radiofrequency exposure.	10/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/KEN/82 12/12/2006	2.9.2	Radio frequency radiation (HS: 903010; ICS: 13.280)	Protection of human safety.	10/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/KEN/83 12/12/2006	2.9.2	Photovoltaic systems (ICS: 27.160)	Protection of consumer safety.	10/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/KEN/84 12/12/2006	2.9.2	Photovoltaic systems (ICS: 27.160)	Protection of consumer safety.	10/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/KEN/85 12/12/2006	2.9.2	Photovoltaic systems (ICS: 27.160)	Cost saving and enhancing efficiency.	10/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/KEN/86 12/12/2006	2.9.2	Electrical and electromechanical components (ICS: 29.100.20).	Consumer information.	10/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/KEN/87 12/12/2006	2.9.2	Battery chargers (ICS: 97.180)	Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection.	10/02/2007
Korea, Republic of	G/TBT/N/KOR/128 13/12/2006	2.9.2	Foods.	Protection of human health.	03/01/2007
	G/TBT/N/KOR/129 20/12/2006	2.9.2	Pharmaceuticals, Quasi-drug, Sanitary products.	Protection of human health.	12/02/2007
Malaysia	G/TBT/N/MYS/6 22/12/2006	2.9.2	Free to Air Transmission of Digital Terrestrial Television Service.	To set a single free to air terrestrial television broadcasting technologies in Malaysia leading to lower television broadcasting receivers and harmonized receivers for all free air terrestrial television broadcasting.	Not specified

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Mexico	G/TBT/N/MEX/119 13/12/2006	2.9.2	Federal road transport and auxiliary service vehicles and private vehicles which circulate on roads and bridges under federal jurisdiction.	To define the maximum authorized limits in respect of weight and dimensions so that production of road transport and the industry in general match the need to preserve and maintain Mexico's road infrastructure and the safety of its users.	27/01/2007
	G/TBT/N/MEX/120 13/12/2006	2.10.1	Alcoholic beverages - agave distillates.	To protect consumers by establishing commercial information requirements so as to prevent fraudulent practices and by ensuring product quality through minimum quality standards.	Not specified
New Zealand	G/TBT/N/NZL/31 20/12/2006	2.9.2	Health warnings and health messages on tobacco product packaging.	To inform smokers and potential smokers about the serious risks associated with smoking	13/02/2007
Nicaragua	G/TBT/N/NIC/81 18/12/2006	2.9.2	ICS code: 71.100	Prevention of practices likely to mislead the consumer and protection of human health.	16/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/NIC/82 18/12/2006	2.9.2	International Classification for Standards (ICS: 75.160.20)	Prevention of practices likely to deceive the consumer and environmental protection.	16/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/NIC/83 18/12/2006	2.9.2	ICS code: 65.100	Protection of the Environment and of Human Health.	16/02/2007
Philippines	G/TBT/N/PHL/73 11/12/2006	2.9.2	Lamps and related equipment (ICS: 29.140.30)	(i) To promote energy efficient products as one of the strategies; (ii) to achieve energy self-sufficiency; to contribute to the reduction of greenhouse gas emission; and (iii) to guide consumers in determining which HID lamp model is less costly to operate.	07/02/2007

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Philippines (cont'd)	G/TBT/N/PHL/74 11/12/2006	2.9.2	Lamps and related equipment (ICS: 29.140.30).	(i) To promote energy efficient products as one of the strategies; (ii) to achieve energy self-sufficiency; (iii) to contribute to the reduction of greenhouse gas emission; and (iv) to guide consumers in determining which ballast model is costly to operate.	07/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/PHL/75 11/12/2006	2.9.2	Plastics piping systems for non-pressure underground drainage and sewerage – Unplasticized poly(vinyl chloride). (PVC-U) (ICS: 23.040.20)	Consumers protection.	07/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/PHL/76 20/12/2006	2.9.2	Milk (ICS: 67.100)	(i) To protect and promote the right to health of the people and instil health consciousness among them; and (ii) to ensure the provision of safe and adequate nutrition for infants and young children.	Not specified
Slovenia	G/TBT/N/SVN/52 13/12/2006	2.9.2	(HS: 1109) Gluten (ICS: 67.040) Food products in general.	Consumer protection..	28/02/2007
Sweden	G/TBT/N/SWE/76 12/12/2006	2.9.2	Building products which shall be used for roads and streets.	Regulations concerning the essential requirement for mechanical resistance and stability.	12/02/2007

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Switzerland	G/TBT/N/CHE/79 05/12/2006	2.9.2	Chemical substances and preparations	To adapt ordinances to changes in European law; and to make clarifications and amendments in the light of initial experiences since the entry into force of these ordinances.	03/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/CHE/80 05/12/2006	2.9.2	Biocidal products.	To adapt ordinances to changes in European law; and to make clarifications and amendments in the light of initial experiences since the entry into force of these ordinances.	03/02/2007
Chinese Taipei	G/TBT/N/TPKM/41 13/12/2006	2.9.2	Pre-packaged Foods.	Consumer information.	11/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/TPKM/42 13/12/2006	2.9.2 5.6.2	Video tuners having terrestrial television reception capability (e.g. Set-Top-Box) (HS: Chapters 85).	Consumer protection.	11/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/TPKM/43 20/12/2006	2.9.2	Eggs, fresh foods (such as vegetables, fruits, meats and sea foods), dried foods, Sushi, salad, cooled noodles, deli and bakery.	Resource conservation and waste reduction.	18/02/2007
United States	G/TBT/N/USA/224 13/12/2006	2.9.2	Digital flight data recorders (HS: 8543; ICS 49)	Protection of human life and health.	13/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/USA/225 18/12/2006	2.9.2	Electric motors and generators (HS: 8501; ICS: 29)	Protection of human life and health.	12/02/2007
	G/TBT/N/USA/226 18/12/2006	2.9.2	Over-the-counter human drugs (HS: 3004, ICS: 11)	Protection of human life and health.	11/04/2007
	G/TBT/N/USA/227 22/12/2006	2.9.2	HS: 3808; ICS: 71	Protection of the environment.	17/01/2007
	G/TBT/N/USA/228 22/12/2006	2.9.2	Dietary supplements (HS: 3004; ICS: 11, 67, 71)	Protection of human life and health.	Not specified