

Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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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 March 2007, which includes a total of 86 new notifications by 23 Members.

Member	Notification and Date of Circulation	Article	Product/Measure	Objective	Deadline for Comments
Albania	G/TBT/N/ALB/16 17 April 2007	2.9.2	Standardization activity and the functioning of the General Directorate of Standardization, DPS.	To bring the Albanian national legal framework closer to the best practices of European and international standardization principles	17 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/ALB/17 20 April 2007	2.9.2	Green list of waste that will be allowed to be moved within, imported into and exported out of the European Community.	To provide the supervision and control of shipments of the waste within, into and out of the European Community..	20 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/ALB/18 24 April 2007	2.9.2	Legal measurement units	To regulate the national system of legal measurement units.	24 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/ALB/19 24 April 2007	2.9.2	Bottles as measuring containers	To protect the consumers from defective measuring instruments bottles	24 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/ALB/20 24 April 2007	2.9.2	Regulation on pre-packages	To protect the consumers from defective pre-packages	24 June 2007
Argentina	G/TBT/N/ARG/210 30 March 2007	2.9.2	Fresh vegetables	To identify the natural and/or legal person responsible for production and packing	Not specified
	G/TBT/N/ARG/211 30 March 2007	2.9.2	Gas appliances for domestic use.	Updating of the standards in force, pursuant to ENARGAS Resolution No. 138/1995	Not specified
	G/TBT/N/ARG/212 20 April 2007	2.9.2	Food products - Tomatoes	To ensure equal treatment in respect of identification and classification for tomatoes marketed within MERCOSUR and to help protect consumer health, eliminate non-tariff technical barriers and prevent fraud and unfair trade practices.	8 May 2007
	G/TBT/N/ARG/213 20 April 2007	5.6.2	Medicinal preparations for human use.	The manufacturers of medicinal preparations containing the active ingredient PERGOLIDE, which is used in the treatment of Parkinson's disease, were to withdraw such products from the market due to the risk of serious damage to patients' heart valves	Not specified

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Australia	G/TBT/N/AUS/55 30 March 2007	2.9.2	Wine	To allow the use of a wider range of copper citrate forms; to give wine manufacturers access to a greater variety of products; and to remove sulphide compounds from their products.	25 May 2007
Belgium	G/TBT/N/BEL/41 12 April 2007	2.9.2	Packing and labelling of phytopharmaceuticals	To protect amateur users and the environment by offering only products specially adapted to amateur use.	31 June 2007
Brazil	G/TBT/N/BRA/239 18 April 2007	5.6.2	Tubes, pipes and hollow profiles, seamless, of iron or steel (excl. products of cast iron) (HS: 7304).	Consumer safety	8 April 2007.
	G/TBT/N/BRA/240 17 April 2007	2.9.2 2.10.1	Gas powered water heating appliance for domestic use. The device may include hot water accumulation tanks	Protection of the environment and prevention of deceptive practices	17 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/BRA/241 18 April 2007	5.6.2	Pig iron and spiegeleisen, in pigs, blocks or other primary forms (HS: 7201 00)	Security requirements	15 April 2007
	G/TBT/N/BRA/242 24 April 2007	2.9.2	Tomato Extract and tomato sauce (HS: 2103).	Consumer information	3 June 2007
Colombia	G/TBT/N/COL/91 30 March 2007	2.9.2	Fish, molluscs and crustaceans (HS tariff heading 03)	Protection of human life, health and safety and prevention of practices liable to mislead or deceive consumers.	28 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/COL/92 4 April 2007	2.9.2	Meat and meat products of swine (HS tariff heading 0203.00.00)	Protection of human life and health and the environment and prevention of practices liable to mislead, confuse or deceive consumers	29 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/COL/93 17 April 2007	2.9.2	Swine	Protection of human life and health and the environment and prevention of practices liable to mislead, confuse or deceive consumers	10 July 2007
Denmark	G/TBT/N/DNK/70 16 April 2007	2.10.1	All ships	To simplify, update and assemble existing rules on this subject.	19 January 2007

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EEC	G/TBT/N/EEC/149 25 April 2007	2.9.2	Biocidal products	To phase out over a 12 month period the availability on the market of active ingredients of biocidal products	25 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/EEC/150 25 April 2007	2.9.2	Guazatine triacetate	This substance cannot be included in the Community positive list of active substances used in biocidal products, in particular given the unacceptable risks for the environment.	25 June 2007
Israel	G/TBT/N/ISR/149 29 March 2007	2.9.2	Ceramic tiles (ICS: 91.100.23; HS: 6907, 6908)	Consumer protection	29 May 2007
	G/TBT/N/ISR/150 29 March 2007	2.9.2	Hospital equipment: medical gloves (ICS: 11.140; HS: 4015).	Public health	29 May 2007
	G/TBT/N/ISR/151 29 March 2007	5.6.2	Concrete wall blocks – (ICS: 91.060.10; 91.100.30; HS: 6810.11)	Consumer safety and Environment protection	29 May 2007
	G/TBT/N/ISR/152 29 March 2007	2.9.2	Fire-fighting equipment (ICS: 13.220.10)	Consumer safety	29 May 2007
	G/TBT/N/ISR/153 29 March 2007	2.9.2	LPG containers (ICS: 23.020.30, 75.200)	Consumer safety	29 May 2007
	G/TBT/N/ISR/154 29 March 2007	2.9.2	Children's toys (ICS: 97.200.50; HS: 95)	Consumer safety	29 May 2007
	G/TBT/N/ISR/155 29 March 2007	5.6.2	Amendment 1 to Motor-operated hand-held electric tools (ICS: 25.140.20; HS: 8467).	Consumer safety	29 May 2007
	G/TBT/N/ISR/156 29 March 2007	5.6.2	Playground equipment (ICS: 97.200.40; HS: 9506.91)	Consumer safety	29 May 2007
	G/TBT/N/ISR/157 29 March 2007	5.6.2	Incandescent lamps (ICS: 29.140.20; HS: 9405, 8539)	Consumer protection and safety	29 May 2007
	G/TBT/N/ISR/158 4 April 2007	2.9.2	Liquid fuels (ICS: 75.160.20; HS: 2710.11.15)	Public health and Environmental protection	4 June 2007
G/TBT/N/ISR/159 4 April 2007	2.9.2	Hoses and hose assemblies (ICS: 23.040.70; HS: 3917, 4009)	Consumer safety	4 June 2007	

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Israel (cont'd)	G/TBT/N/ISR/160 4 April 2007	2.9.2	Sanitary installations (ICS: 91.140.70; HS: 8481.80.30)	Consumer and Environmental protection	4 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/ISR/161 4 April 2007	5.6.2	Steel for reinforcement of concrete (ICS: 77.140.15; HS: 7213.10, 7214.20).	Consumer safety	4 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/ISR/162 4 April 2007	5.6.2	Steel for reinforcement of concrete (ICS: 77.140.15; HS: 7213.10; 7214.20).	Consumer safety	4 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/ISR/163 4 April 2007	5.6.2	Steel for reinforcement of concrete (ICS: 77.140.15; HS: 7213.10, 7214.20).	Consumer safety	4 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/ISR/164 4 April 2007	5.6.2	Steel for reinforcement of concrete (ICS: 77.140.15; HS: 7213.10; 7214.20)	Consumer safety	4 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/ISR/165 4 April 2007	2.9.2	Sanitary installations – (ICS: 91.140.70; HS: 3917)	Consumer safety	4 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/ISR/166 4 April 2007	2.9.2	Water supply systems (ICS: 91.140.60; HS: 3917.23.00)	Consumer safety	4 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/ISR/167 4 April 2007	2.9.2	Drainage systems (ICS: 91.140.80; HS: 3917.22.00)	Environment protection and public health	4 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/ISR/168 4 April 2007	2.9.2	Electric cables (ICS: 29.060.20; HS: 8544.20)	Public safety	4 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/ISR/169 4 April 2007	2.9.2 5.6.2	Babies' nursing teats and soothers (ICS: 97.190, 83.140.99; HS: 3926.90; 4014.90)	Public health	4 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/ISR/170 4 April 2007	2.9.2	Fluorescent lamps: Discharge lamps (ICS: 29.140.30; HS: 8539.31)	Environment protection	4 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/ISR/171 4 April 2007	5.6.2	Plugs and socket outlets (ICS: 29.120.30; HS: 8536)	Consumer safety	4 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/ISR/172 4 April 2007	2.9.2 5.6.2	Plugs and socket outlets (ICS: 29.120.30; HS: 8536)	Consumer safety	4 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/ISR/173 24 April 2007	2.9.2	Domestic electrical cooking appliances (ICS: 97.040.20; HS: 8516)	Consumer and environment protection	4 June 2007

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Jamaica	G/TBT/N/JAM/8 20 April 2007	2.9.2	Construction materials	To regulate the building industry for consumer protection; and provide minimum standards for construction Codes of Practice	8 June 2007
Korea	G/TBT/N/KOR/135 24 April 2007	2.9.2	Agricultural Products (Genetically Modified Organisms)	To provide correct information to consumers when they purchase agricultural products	24 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/KOR/136 25 April 2007	2.9.2	Medicine, herbal medicine, etc.	Protection of human health	5 June 2007
Mexico	G/TBT/N/MEX/123 24 April 2007	2.9.2	Safety float glass for motor vehicles, railway carriages and trailers..	To set forth the mandatory specifications and characteristics for safety float glass used in motor vehicles, railway carriages and trailers with a view to protecting human safety	16 June 2007
Moldova	G/TBT/N/MDA/11 20 April 2007	2.9.2 Article 10.2		To guarantee the transparency in drafting Moldovan standards, technical regulations and conformity assessment procedures	March 2007
Panama	G/TBT/N/PAN/36 17 April 2007	2.9.2	Oil and oil derivatives (ICS: 75.160.20)	Protection of human health	17 May 2007
Philippines	G/TBT/N/PHL/78 16 April 2007	2.9.2	Electric wires and cables – Polyvinyl chloride insulated flexible cords (ICS: 29.060)	To cancel and replace PNS 163:1994. The revision was made to attune to the present needs and demands of the consumers	2 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/PHL/79 16 April 2007	2.9.2	Electric wires and cables (ICS: 29.060)	To cancel and replace PNS 261:1995. This revision was made to attune to the present needs and demands of the consumers	2 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/PHL/80 16 April 2007	2.9.2	Household appliances (ICS: 23.120)	To ensure the minimum energy efficiency ratio requirements accommodate the year 1995-2002 and will provide the consumers easy reference to the energy efficiency ratio required for manufacturers, assemblers and importers.	2 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/PHL/81 16 April 2007	2.9.2	Electric wires and cables (ICS: 29.060)	To attune to the present needs and demands of the consumers	2 June 2007

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Philippines (cont'd)	G/TBT/N/PHL/82 16 April 2007	2.9.2	Low carbon steel wires – plain/annealed/zinc coated (ICS: 77.140.65)	For consumer protection and safety.	2 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/PHL/83 16 April 2007	2.9.2 2.10.1	Flat glass (ICS: 43.040.65)	Ensure consumer protection and to level the playing field for importers and manufacturers	2 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/PHL/84 16 April 2007	2.9.2	Steel wire and wire products for fences (ICS: 77.140.65)	For consumer protection and safety	2 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/PHL/85 16 April 2007	2.9.2	Silvered Flat Glass Mirror	For consumer protection and safety.	2 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/PHL/86 16 April 2007	2.9.2	Low Voltage Equipment	To ensure that electrical equipment may be placed on the market or put into service only if, having been constructed in accordance with good engineering practices in safety matters prevailing in the International Community, it does not endanger the safety of persons, domestic animals or property when properly installed and maintained and used in applications for which it was made.	2 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/PHL/87 16 April 2007	2.9.2	Electrical or electronic equipment	To ensure the functioning of the internal market by requiring equipment to comply with an adequate level of electromagnetic compatibility.	2 June 2007
Paraguay	G/TBT/N/PRY/5 24 April 2007	2.9.2	(MERCOSUR Technical Regulation on the identity and quality of tomatoes)	Establishes the identity and quality characteristics of tomatoes for consumption "in natura".	24 June 2007

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Paraguay (cont'd)	G/TBT/N/PRY/6 24 April 2007	2.9.2	MERCOSUR Technical Regulation on the methodology for determining drained weight	To define the determination of drained weight in order to facilitate trade between signatory countries, eliminate technical barriers to trade and ensure consumer protection	24 June 2007
South Africa	G/TBT/N/ZAF/63 25 April 2007	2.9.2	Bird's eggs in shell - Fresh	Food safety	20 June 2007
Sweden	G/TBT/N/SWE/83 4 April 2007	2.9.2	Building products which shall be used for roads and streets.	Regulations concerning the essential requirements for mechanical resistance and stability	8 June 2007
Thailand	G/TBT/N/THA/228 4 April 2007	2.9.2 5.6.2	Road vehicle tyres (ICS: 83.160.10; HS: 4011)	Safety	4 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/THA/229 4 April 2007	2.9.2 5.6.2	Road vehicle tyres (ICS: 83.160.10; HS: 4013)	Safety	4 June 2007
Chinese Taipei	G/TBT/N/TPKM/47 24 April 2007	2.9.2	Pre-packaged caffeine-containing beverages.	Provide caffeine information for consumers	24 June 2007
Tunisia	G/TBT/N/TUN/18 20 April 2007	2.9.2	Labelling and presentation of pre-packaged foods.	Updating of the regulations governing the labelling and presentation of pre-packaged foods	15 April 2007
United States	G/TBT/N/USA/250 30 March 2007	2.9.2	Solid waste (ICS: 13.030.10)	Protection of human life and health	25 May 2007
	G/TBT/N/USA/251 12 April 2007	2.9.2	Avocados (HS: 0804.40; ICS: 03.120, 67.020, 67.080)	Protection of consumers	29 May 2007
	G/TBT/N/USA/252 12 April 2007	2.9.2	Sweet Cherries (HS: 0809.20, ICS: 03.120, 67.020, 67.080)	Protection of consumers	29 May 2007
	G/TBT/N/USA/253 12 April 2007	2.9.2	Locomotive and marine engines (HS: 8601, 8602, 8407; ICS: 47.020, 27.020, 13.030).	Protection of human life and health	2 July 2007
	G/TBT/N/USA/254 13 April 2007	2.9.2	Irradiated foods (HS: 0200.0400, 0700.1100, 1500.2200; ICS: 67.020, 67.040, 67.230)	Protection of human life and health	3 July 2007

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United States (cont'd)	G/TBT/N/USA/255 13 April 2007 (subsequently withdrawn in G/TBT/255/Corr.1)	2.9.2	Acrylic and modacrylic fibers, carbon black, chromium compounds, flexible polyurethane foam, lead acid battery, wood preservatives (HS: 2803, 3206.20, 8607.10, 8507.20, Ch. 44, Ch. 54-1, Ch. 55-1; ICS: 13.020, 13.040, 71.100.50, 83.040, 59.060, 29.220)	Protection of human life and health	4 May 2007
	G/TBT/N/USA/256 13 April 2007	2.9.2	Plant-incorporated-protectants (HS: 2920; ICS: 65.100, 13.020)	Protection of human life and health	13 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/USA/257 17 April 2007	2.9.2	Pesticides (HS: 3808; ICS: 65.100, 67.230, 67.250)	Protection of human life and health	23 April 2007
	G/TBT/N/USA/258 17 April 2007	2.9.2	Aircraft (HS: 8407.10; ICS: 49.050)	Protection of human life	10 July 2007
	G/TBT/N/USA/259 17 April 2007	2.9.2	Aircraft (HS: 8803.10; ICS: 49.020)	Protection of human life	11 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/USA/260 17 April 2007	2.9.2	Buses and vans (HS: 8702.10, 8702.90; ICS: 43.080.20, 03.220.20)	Protection of human life	11 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/USA/261 17 April 2007	2.9.2	Cargo Tank Motor Vehicle and Cylinder Issues (HS: 8704.90; ICS: 03.220, 13.300, 43.160, 75.200)	Protection of the environment and human safety.	11 June 2007
	G/TBT/N/USA/262 25 April 2007	2.9.2	Protectants Derived From Plant Viral Coat Protein (PVCP-PIPs) Gene(s) (HS: 2920; ICS: 65.100, 13.020)	Protection of human life and health	17 July 2007
	G/TBT/N/USA/263 25 April 2007	2.9.2	Plant Viral Coat Proteins (HS: 2920; ICS: 65.100)	Protection of human life and health	17 July 2007
G/TBT/N/USA/264 25 April 2007	2.9.2	Organic foods (ICS: 67.040)	Protection of human health	7 May 2007	
United Kingdom	G/TBT/N/GBR/16 17 April 2007	2.9.2	Articles made from precious metals (Gold, Platinum and/or Silver).	Amendments to the 1973 Act which allow more goods of mixed precious metals and other materials to be hallmarked in the UK.	25 June 2007