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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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IMPLEMENTATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE AGREEMENT ON TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE

COMMUNICATION FROM BRUNEI DARUSSALAM

Addendum

The following statement under Article 15.2 of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade, dated 19 October 2016, has been received from the delegation of Brunei Darussalam.

1.1. With reference to Article 15.2 of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade, the Permanent Mission of Brunei Darussalam to the United Nations wishes to notify that no special legislation is required in Brunei Darussalam to implement the Agreement. All relevant government departments and regulatory authorities responsible for the implementation and administration of technical regulations, standards and conformity assessment procedures have been provided with copies of the Agreement and have been informed accordingly of their obligations under it.

1.2. The National Standards Centre under the Energy and Industry Department, Prime Minister's Office as the secretariat to the National Standard Council serves as the focal point for disseminating information to concerned departments and authorities on Brunei Darussalam's obligations under the Agreement. Its address is as follows:

National Standards Centre
Energy and Industry Department
Prime Minister's Office
B19, Simpang 32-15,
Flat Anggerek Desa, BB8810
Bandar Seri Begawan
Brunei Darussalam
Tel: + (673) 2334192
Email: nationalstandard@ei.gov.bn
Website: <http://www.ei.gov.bn>

1.3. Notices of technical regulations or Piawai Brunei Darussalam (PBD) established by the Brunei Darussalam Government are published on the website of the Energy and Industry Department, Prime Minister's Office (EIDPMO) (<http://www.ei.gov.bn>).

1.4. Standardization and certification are undertaken by National Standards Centre Brunei. In principle, ISO, IEC and other international standards are used as a basis for the preparation of Piawai Brunei Darussalam.

1.5. All standards prepared are not mandatory except those which are incorporated into the technical regulations of the regulatory authorities under respective relevant agencies (Ministry of Health, Ministry of Development, Ministry of Religious Affairs, Ministry of Primary Resources and Tourism, EIDPMO and Ministry of Home Affairs. The National Standards Centre acts as the Secretariat to the National Standards Council, which has accepted the Code of Good Practice for the Preparation, Adoption and Application of Standards and will publish the status of its standardization programme at intervals of six months as required under the Code.

1.6. In general, Brunei Darussalam provides a period of 60 days for presentation of comments in writing before implementation of technical regulations, standards or conformity assessment procedures.

1.7. With reference to Article 10.2 of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade, the Permanent Mission of Brunei Darussalam to the United Nations wishes to notify that Brunei Darussalam has established the following two enquiry points which are fully operational. The details of the enquiry points and the scope of responsibility of each enquiry point are outlined as follows:

The enquiry point for Standardization, Certification and Technical Regulations is:

National Standards Centre
Energy and Industry Department
Prime Minister's Office
B19, Simpang 32-15,
Flat Anggerek Desa, BB8810
Bandar Seri Begawan
Brunei Darussalam
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The enquiry point for the Halal Act, Certification and Regulations are:

Halal Food Control Section
Ministry of Religious Affairs
Jalan Dewan Majlis Berakas, BB3910
Bandar Seri Begawan
Brunei Darussalam
Tel: + (673) 2382525, 2382526
Fax: + (673) 2245785
Email: info.kheu@mora.gov.bn
Website: <http://www.kheu.gov.bn>

Global Halal Industry Development Division
Energy and Industry Department
Prime Minister's Office
Block B6, No. 31, Simpang 32-66,
Kpg Anggerek Desa, BB3713.
Bandar Seri Begawan
Negara Brunei Darussalam
Tel: + (673) 2383155
Fax: + (673) 2383151
Website: <http://www.ei.gov.bn>

1.8. With reference to Article 10.10 of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade, Darussalam's designation of government authorities for implementation of notification obligations are:

National Standards Centre
B19. Simpang 32-15,
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Bandar Seri Begawan
Brunei Darussalam
Tel: + (673) 2334192
Email: nationalstandard@ei.gov.bn
Website: <http://www.ei.gov.bn>

Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade
Department of Trade Development
International Convention Centre (ICC)
Jalan Pulaie, Berakas BB3910
Bandar Seri Begawan
Negara Brunei Darussalam
Tel: + (673) 2383374
Fax: + (673) 2383227
Email: dtd@mfa.gov.bn
Website: <http://www.mofat.gov.bn>
