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# **Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade**

# IMPLEMENTATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE AGREEMENT ON TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE UNDER ARTICLE 15.2.

### COMMUNICATION FROM MONTENEGRO

#### Addendum

The following statement under Article 15.2 of the TBT Agreement has been received from the delegation of <u>Montenegro</u>.

### 1 TRANSPARENCY

#### 1.1 ENOURY POINT AND NOTIFICATION POINT

- 1.1. In accordance with the Regulation on the notification procedure in the field of technical regulations, standards and procedures for conformity assessment (Official Gazette No. 55/08) the official Enquiry Point on Standards and Conformity Assessment Procedures was established within the Institute for Standardization of Montenegro (ISME).
- 1.2. In accordance with the Decree on the Establishment of the Institute for Standardization of Montenegro (ISME) ("Official Gazette of Montenegro", No. 21107, from 13 April 2007), and the Statute of the Institute for Standardization of Montenegro Article 9 (16), the Institute acts as a contact point in the procedures for notification, and as an Enquiry Point for WTO/TBT, both within the field of standards and related procedures for conformity assessment.
- 1.3. In accordance with the Law on Standardization published in the "Official Gazette of Montenegro", No. 13/08 from 26 February 2008, Article 10 (1) Montenegrin standards and related documents shall be adopted and issued in accordance with this Law and the Institute rules, which shall be in compliance with the rules of European and international organizations for standardization, as well as the Code of Good Practice for the Preparation, Adoption and Application of Standards of the World Trade Organization Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade.
- 1.4. The address, telephone and fax numbers are as follows:

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Contact person: Mr. Marko Saranovic

1.5. The Institute for Standardization of Montenegro (ISME) performs notification procedures of standards and conformity assessment procedures as well as information exchange in accordance with Article 10.

### **2 PUBLICATIONS**

2.1. Montenegrin standards and information are published in the "Official Gazette of Montenegro" (Montenegro title: "Sluzbeni list Crne Gore") and on the website (<a href="http://www.isme.me">http://www.isme.me</a>) of the Institute for Standardization of Montenegro.

## **3 RELEVANT LAWS AND REGULATIONS**

- 3.1. The Institute for Standardization of Montenegro (ISME) administration is regulated by:
  - a. *The Law on Standardization* (the "Official Gazette of Montenegro", No. 13/08 from 26 February 2008.)
    - i. This Law shall govern the principles and objectives of standardization in Montenegro, the establishment, organization and activities of the organization for standardization of Montenegro, the adoption, issuing, and application of Montenegrin standards and related documents in the standardization area, as well as inspectoral supervision of the implementation of this Law.
  - b. Decree on establishing the Institute for Standardization of Montenegro (ISME) ("Official Gazette of Montenegro", No. 21/07, from 13 April 2007)
    - i. By this Decree, the Government of Montenegro established an independent non-profit organization under the name "Institute for standardization of Montenegro -ISME" for the purpose of achieving standardization aims and performing the activities and tasks of the national standardization.
  - c. Regulation on notification of technical regulations, standards, regulations on information society services and conformity assessment procedures ("Official Gazette of Montenegro", No. 11/2013" from 21 February 2013)