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### ***Russian Federation – Law on Protecting Consumer Rights***

*Some members expressed concern about a proposed measure that would require the pre-installation of Russian software in technically complex goods sold in Russia. The United States, Japan and the European Union were concerned, among other things, about the rationale for the pre-installation requirement, possible discriminatory aspects of the measure, its proportionality and the absence of a notification (and associated 60-day comment period). The US said that the measure appeared to be a technical regulation as defined by the TBT Agreement because it set out "product characteristics" with which compliance was mandatory. Further clarification was sought on the scope of the term "technically complex goods".*

*The Russian Federation said that the proposed measure fell outside the scope of the TBT Agreement and that the TBT Committee was not the appropriate forum to discuss it. The proposed measure was not a technical regulation because it did not provide for requirements on "product characteristics", nor did it prescribe "production methods". It also did not set out any conformity assessment procedures. Russia also said that the proposal was non-discriminatory and would not cause any negative impact on international trade.*