

**AGREEMENT ON IMPORT LICENSING PROCEDURES**

Notification under Article 1.4(a)<sup>1</sup> and/or 8.2(b)<sup>2</sup> of the Agreement

ALBANIA

The following notification, dated 8 October 2012, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Albania.

**I. LAW NO. 9707**

<b>1. Notification under Article 1.4(a) [ X ]; Article 8.2(b) [ X ]</b>
<b>2. Source(s) where the Import Licensing Procedure(s) has(ve) been published (Official Gazette, publication, website, etc.):</b> Website: www.akshe.mod.gov.al; Official Gazette No. 48, Page 1237
<b>3. Date of publication<sup>1</sup>: 24.04.2007</b> <b>Effective date of requirement: 10.05.2007</b>
<b>4. Copy(ies) of publication (in case of Art. 1.4(a)<sup>3</sup> and/or legislation (in case of Art. 8.2(b))<sup>4</sup> is(are) available for consultation by Members:</b> Attached* the English version of this Law
<b>5. In the case that they are not in one of the three WTO official languages, (<i>English, French or Spanish</i>) a SUMMARY of the <u>publication (in case of Art. 1.4(a)) and/or the legislation (in case of Art. 8.2(b))<sup>4</sup>:</u></b> <p>This Law governs state control of export, import, transshipment, transfer of and brokering activities with military goods and dual-use goods and technologies, with a view to [protecting] the national interests of the Republic of Albania, overseeing observation of its commitments to international treaties on non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and their launching systems, impeding transfer of conventional weapons, and adhering to measures designed to prevent use of these goods by terrorists and other groups for illegal purposes.</p> <p>This Law regulates the legal relationships arising by virtue of the activities relating to international transfer of goods, including brokering services, production, science and technical cooperation, as well as their exhibiting at international exhibitions and fairs for the purpose of advertising, testing, marketing, and operations related to them, until their end use or until [they reach] end user, conducted in compliance with the procedures established with regard to entities involved in international transfers of goods.</p>

\* Available for consultation (Market Access Division) in English only.

**6. Other pertinent data or information (i.e. title of the proposed or adopted law/regulation establishing the Import Licensing Procedure):**

Law no. 9707, of 05.04.2007, "On State Control over the import-export of military goods and technology of dual use"

**II. ORDER NO. 36**

**1. Notification under Article 1.4(a) [ X ]; Article 8.2(b) [ X ]**

**2. Source(s) where the Import Licensing Procedure(s) has(ve) been published (Official Gazette, publication, website, etc.):**

This Regulation is not published in the Official Gazette.

**3. Date of publication<sup>1</sup>: 25.01.2011**

**Effective date of requirement: 25.01.2011**

**4. Copy(ies) of publication (in case of Art. 1.4(a))<sup>3</sup> and/or legislation (in case of Art. 8.2(b))<sup>4</sup> is(are) available for consultation by Members:**

Attached\* the English version of the Order and Regulation approved under this Order. (unofficial translation)

**5. In the case that they are not in one of the three WTO official languages, (*English, French or Spanish*) a SUMMARY of the publication (in case of Art. 1.4(a)) and/or the legislation (in case of Art. 8.2(b))<sup>4</sup>:**

This order approves a basic regulation on laying down the principles and guidelines of good manufacturing practice in respect of medicinal products for human use in the Republic of Albania in order to regulate the domestic pharmaceutical manufacturing.

**6. Other pertinent data or information (i.e. title of the proposed or adopted law/regulation establishing the Import Licensing Procedure):**

Order No. 36 dated 25.01.2011 "On approval of the regulation on good manufacturing practice of medical products for human use in the Republic of Albania".

**III. LAW NO. 10454**

**1. Notification under Article 1.4(a) [ X ]; Article 8.2(b) [ X ]**

**2. Source(s) where the Import Licensing Procedure(s) has(ve) been published (Official Gazette, publication, website, etc.):**

Official Gazette No. 107 dated 09.08.2011, page 4251

**3. Date of publication<sup>1</sup>: 09.08.2011**

**Effective date of requirement: 24.08.2011**

<p><b>4. Copy(ies) of publication (in case of Art. 1.4(a))<sup>3</sup> and/or legislation (in case of Art. 8.2(b))<sup>4</sup> is(are) available for consultation by Members:</b></p> <p>Attached* the English version of this Law (unofficial translation).</p>
<p><b>5. In the case that they are not in one of the three WTO official languages, (<i>English, French or Spanish</i>) a SUMMARY of the <u>publication (in case of Art. 1.4(a))</u> and/or <u>the legislation (in case of Art. 8.2(b))<sup>4</sup>:</u></b></p> <p>This law aiming on the guarantee of standards of quality and safety while performing the activity of tissue transplantation, cells and organs of human origin, arising in the Republic of Albania, in order to protect the public health, states on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) basic services included in the activity of transplantation of tissues, cells and organs;</li> <li>b) the organization, operation, inspection, licensing and accreditation of health structures involved in the activity of transplantation of tissues, cells and organs;</li> <li>c) administration and coordination of work in this field;</li> <li>d) standards of quality and safety of tissues, cells and human bodies.</li> </ul>
<p><b>6. Other pertinent data or information (i.e. title of the proposed or adopted law/regulation establishing the Import Licensing Procedure):</b></p> <p>Law No. 10454 dated 21.7.2011 "Transplant tissues, cells and organs in the Republic of Albania"</p>

#### IV. DECISION NO. 304

<p><b>1. Notification under Article 1.4(a) [ X ]; Article 8.2(b) [ X ]</b></p>
<p><b>2. Source(s) where the Import Licensing Procedure(s) has(ve) been published (Official Gazette, publication, website, etc.):</b></p> <p>Website: www.akshe.mod.gov.al; Official Gazette: Year 2009, No. 51, Page 2466</p>
<p><b>3. Date of publication<sup>1</sup>: 25.03.2009</b></p> <p><b>Effective date of requirement: 29.04.2009</b></p>
<p><b>4. Copy(ies) of publication (in case of Art. 1.4(a))<sup>3</sup> and/or legislation (in case of Art. 8.2(b))<sup>4</sup> is(are) available for consultation by Members:</b></p> <p>Attached* the English version of this Decision</p>
<p><b>5. In the case that they are not in one of the three WTO official languages, (<i>English, French or Spanish</i>) a SUMMARY of the <u>publication (in case of Art. 1.4(a))</u> and/or <u>the legislation (in case of Art. 8.2(b))<sup>4</sup>:</u></b></p> <p>This Council Ministries Decision determine the process of expertise carried by the Albanian State Export Control Authority and the procedures of this expertise. The Export Control Authority can run this process, before issuing a license and after.</p>

**6. Other pertinent data or information (i.e. title of the proposed or adopted law/regulation establishing the Import Licensing Procedure):**

Decision of the Council of Ministers **no. 304, of 25.3.2009**, "On determining the procedure on expertise and control by the Authority of State Control over Exports (AKSHE)",

**V. DECISION NO. 305**

**1. Notification under Article 1.4(a) [ X ]; Article 8.2(b) [ X ]**

**2. Source(s) where the Import Licensing Procedure(s) has(ve) been published (Official Gazette, publication, website, etc.):**

Website: www.akshe.mod.gov.al; Official Gazette: Year 2009, No. 51, Page 2468

**3. Date of publication<sup>1</sup>: 25.03.2009**

**Effective date of requirement: 29.04.2009**

**4. Copy(ies) of publication (in case of Art. 1.4(a))<sup>3</sup> and/or legislation (in case of Art. 8.2(b))<sup>4</sup> is(are) available for consultation by Members:**

Attached\* the English version of this Decision

**5. In the case that they are not in one of the three WTO official languages, (*English, French or Spanish*) a SUMMARY of the publication (in case of Art. 1.4(a)) and/or the legislation (in case of Art. 8.2(b))<sup>4</sup>:**

This Council Ministries Decision determines the types of legal documents, license, authorization, certificates that issue the Albanian State Export Control Authority, and the timetable for all these documents.

**6. Other pertinent data or information (i.e. title of the proposed or adopted law/regulation establishing the Import Licensing Procedure):**

Decision of the Council of Ministers **no. 305, of 25.3.2009**, "On determining the procedure of issuing legal documents, in the framework of state control over the import-export of military goods and technology of dual use"

**VI. DECISION NO. 341**

**1. Notification under Article 1.4(a) [ X ]; Article 8.2(b) [ X ]**

**2. Source(s) where the Import Licensing Procedure(s) has(ve) been published (Official Gazette, publication, website, etc.):**

Website: www.akshe.mod.gov.al

**3. Date of publication<sup>1</sup>: 8.04.2009**

**Effective date of requirement: 23.04.2009**

<p><b>4. Copy(ies) of publication (in case of Art. 1.4(a))<sup>3</sup> and/or legislation (in case of Art. 8.2(b))<sup>4</sup> is(are) available for consultation by Members:</b></p> <p>Attached* the English version of this Decision</p>
<p><b>5. In the case that they are not in one of the three WTO official languages, (<i>English, French or Spanish</i>) a SUMMARY of the <u>publication (in case of Art. 1.4(a))</u> and/or <u>the legislation (in case of Art. 8.2(b))</u><sup>4</sup>:</b></p> <p>This Council Ministries Decision determines the tariffs for each legal documents issued by the Albanian State Export Control Authority. They are from 1-100 USD</p>
<p><b>6. Other pertinent data or information (i.e. title of the proposed or adopted law/regulation establishing the Import Licensing Procedure):</b></p> <p>Decision of the Council of Ministers no.341, of 8.4.2009, "On determining tariffs for the issuance of legal documents".</p>

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<sup>1</sup> "[...] Publication shall take place, whenever practicable, 21 days prior to the effective date of the requirement but in all events not later than such effective date. Any exception, derogations or changes in or from the rules concerning licensing procedures or the list of products subject to import licensing shall also be published in the same manner and within the same time-periods as specified above." See Article 1.4(a) of the Agreement.

<sup>2</sup> "Each Member shall inform the Committee of any changes in its laws and regulations relevant to this Agreement and in the administration of such laws and regulations."

<sup>3</sup> "The rules and all information concerning procedures for the submission of applications, including the eligibility of persons, firms and institutions to make such applications, the administrative body(ies) to be approached, and the lists of products subject to the licensing requirement shall be published, in the sources notified to the Committee on Import Licensing [...] Copies of these publications shall also be made available to the Secretariat." See Art. 1.4(a) of the Agreement and document G/LIC/3 "Procedures for Notification and Review under the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures".

<sup>4</sup> See document G/LIC/3 "Procedures for Notification and Review under the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures".