

**AGREEMENT ON IMPORT LICENSING PROCEDURES**

Notification under Article 5.1-5.4 of the Agreement<sup>1</sup>

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The following notification, dated 16 October 2012, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Israel.

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| <p><b>1. (a) Title / number / date of the law or regulation establishing / changing the import licensing procedure:</b><br/>Free Import Order 2012</p> <p><b>(b) If the notified measure refers to a change in an already notified import licensing procedure, please indicate the document symbol of the notification to which change(s) has(ve) been introduced. (In this case please also indicate in Section 3, below, the nature of the changes (i.e. inclusion or exclusion of some goods and a list thereof; contact point for information and/or administrative body(ies) for submission of applications, etc.):</b><br/>G/LIC/N/1/ISR/1 and G/LIC/N/2/ISR/1</p>   |
| <p><b>2. Information concerning the institution / change of import licensing procedure:</b></p> <p><b>(a) List of products subject to the licensing procedure (Exact name of the products and/or whenever possible HS code and indication of the exact HS Nomenclature (i.e. 1996; 2002 or 2007). Abbreviations should be avoided. <u>In the case of a long list of products, please attach the list as an Annex in Microsoft Word or compatible software. Please do not use PDF, or photocopies.</u>)</b><br/>First and Second Annexes of the Free Import Order 2012 are attached*</p> <p><b>(b) Contact point for information on eligibility</b><br/><b>Ministry of Industry Trade and Labor- MOITAL</b><br/>Address: 5 Bank Israel St. Jerusalem 91036<br/>Telephone: (+972 2 6662687)<br/>Fax: (+972 2 6662677)<br/>E-mail address: ami.levin@moital.gov.il<br/>Website: www.moital.gov.il/wto<br/>Contact officer: [ X ] Mr. [ ] Mrs. Name: Ami Levin</p> |

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

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**(d) Date and name of publication where licensing procedures are published**

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Source of publication (Official Gazette /journal/ website):

Reshumot- the Official Gazette, [www.justice.gov.il/MOJHeb/Reshumot/](http://www.justice.gov.il/MOJHeb/Reshumot/)

**(e) Indication of whether the licensing procedure is**

**automatic.** If so please indicate: **(f) the administrative purpose:** Application for securing the appointment as IT of Certain Products shall be submitted in writing to the Director by enclosing the following copy documents of:

**non-automatic.** If so please indicate: **(g) the measure being implemented through the import licensing procedure:** Israel applies non-automatic licensing

procedures under the Free Import Order of 2012, mainly for reasons of safety, health, protection of the environment and security; or to comply with international (non-WTO) commitments, or for purposes of tariff quota administration. Annexes 1 and 2 to the Free Import Order, 2012 contain lists of items subject to import licensing principally for (food) safety and security reasons (Annex 1) or to specific standards and technical requirements in order to ensure safety, security, and environmental objectives (Annex 2).

**(h) Expected duration of the licensing procedure if this can be estimated with some probability, and if not, reason why this information cannot be provided**

Depending on the product, licences/approvals are issued free of charge by the Ministries of Industry, Trade and Labour; Agriculture; Health; Transportation, and Environment within 14-21 working days, but in most instances in less than seven days upon completion of all necessary documentation

**3. Other relevant data or information:** *(i.e. complete title and data concerning the legislation, inclusion or exclusion of certain products from the import licensing regime and list thereof; changes related to the administrative body(ies) for submission of applications, etc.)*

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<sup>1</sup> "Members which institute licensing procedures or changes in these procedures shall notify the Committee of such within 60 days of publication [...]" (Art. 5.1).