

IMPLEMENTATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE AGREEMENT  
ON TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE

Addendum

Communication from Thailand

The following Statement under Article 15, paragraph 2 of the Agreement has been received from the delegation of Thailand.

1. Thailand has been a member of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) since 1993. No special legislation is required for Thailand to implement the Agreement. The Thai Industrial Standards Institute (TISI), a government agency under the Ministry of Industry serves as the coordinating agency and notification authority. Government departments and regulatory authorities responsible for the implementation and administration of technical regulations, standards and conformity assessment procedures have been informed of their obligations under the Agreement. A National Committee comprised of representatives from relevant organizations has been established for the purpose of ensuring implementation and administration of the Agreement.

2. Notices of technical regulations, standards and conformity assessment procedures are published in the Thai Government Gazette. Notices of standards developed by the Thai Industrial Standards Institute are also published in the TISI Newsletter. Notices of standards to be made mandatory are published in local newspapers.

3. The Thai Industrial Standards Institute has accepted the Code of Good Practice for the Preparation, Adoption and Application of Standards (Annex 3 of the Agreement). As required under the Code, TISI has published "TISI Work Programme" containing the status of standardization programme at the intervals of six months and has notified the ISO/IEC Information Centre in Geneva of its existence. A catalogue of standards already published is prepared annually.

4. A period of 60 days is generally provided for comments in writing. However, this period may vary depending on urgency considerations.

5. The Thai Enquiry Point is the Thai Industrial Standards Institute. The address for enquiries is as follows:

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