

**IMPLEMENTATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE AGREEMENT
ON TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE**

Communication from the Kyrgyz Republic

Addendum

The following statement under Article 15, paragraph 2 of the Agreement has been received from the delegation of the Kyrgyz Republic.

1. The Government of the Kyrgyz Republic approved the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade by the Law of the Kyrgyz Republic "On Ratification of the Protocol of Accession of the Kyrgyz Republic to the Marrakesh Agreement on Establishment of the World Trade Organization (published in newspaper "Erkin-Too" of 20 November 1998, # 183-184)

2. The programme on immediate measures on transition to international standards and improving of the order of application of technical regulations is approved by the Resolution of the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic of 7 October 1998, # 665. Also the body responsible for implementation of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade was established (Kyrgyzstandard) according to the Resolution. Under the Resolution of the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic of 1 February 1999, # 57 the strategic trends of state policy in the sphere of standardization, metrology, certification and management of the production quality until 2001 are approved in accordance with the WTO provisions.

3. The Laws, Resolutions and administrative measures, which exist and were approved in order to implement the Agreement on TBT, are the following:

Law "On Certification of Products and Services" of 2 April 1996, # 6 with amendments and additions, introduced by the Law of the Kyrgyz Republic of 8 June 1998, # 76 (published in newspaper "Erkin-Too" of 17 June, # 75-76).

Law "On Providing Unity of Measures" of 2 April 1996, # 7 (published in newspaper "Svobodnyey gory" of 13 April 1996, 56-57).

Law of the Kyrgyz Republic "On Protection of Consumers' Rights" of 10 December 1997, # 90 (published in the collection "Normative Acts of the Kyrgyz Republic", # 2, 1998)

Law "On Veterinary" of 6 March 1992, # 805-XII with amendments and additions introduced by the Law of 17 June 1999, # 56 (published in newspaper "Erkin-Too" of 12 June 1999).

Law "On Plant Quarantine" of 27 June 1996, #26, with amendments and additions introduced by the Law of 2 June 1998, # 74 (published in newspaper "Erkin-Too" of 12 June 1998, # 73-74).

4. The Resolution of the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic of 28 April 1994, # 260 with amendments of 5 April 1996 (published in the collection "Normative Acts of the Kyrgyz Republic", # 4, 1996) establishes the List of goods (works, and services) originating at the territory of the Kyrgyz Republic, and subject to compulsory certification on safety indicators (establishes seven general goods categories, which require certification regardless of originating of these goods).

5. The Resolution of the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic "On Organization of Work on Standardization, Providing Unity of Measuring, Certification of Goods and Services in the Kyrgyz Republic" of 6 January 1997, # 12 (as amended in the Resolution of the Government of 23 June 1997, # 365 and of 18 August 1997, # 478) is published in the collection "Normative Acts of the Kyrgyz Republic", # 2, 1997).

6. The Resolution of the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic "On establishment of enquiry point on interconnection with the World Trade Organization regarding issues of working out, adoption and application of technical regulations, standards, sanitary and phytosanitary measures" of 31 January 2000, # 45 (published in collection "Normative Acts of the Kyrgyz Republic" # 7, 2000).

7. Kyrgyzstandard publishes the Catalogue of Normative Documents (annually), where their data on all existing state normative documents on standardization (standards, guiding documents and technical terms of the Kyrgyz Republic) accepted by Kyrgyzstandard and State Inspection on Architecture, and normative documents (international, intergovernmental, regional), which entered into force at the territory of the Kyrgyz Republic by the order of Kyrgyzstandard. The Information Indicator is a quarterly periodical of Kyrgyzstandard relating to the normative acts on standardization (standards, technical terms, and rules).

8. The period of two months is envisaged for submitting of comments on standards or procedures.

9. The authorized body responsible for implementation of requirements, stipulated by the Articles 10.1, 10.3, 13.10 of the Agreement is as follows:

10. State Inspection on Standardization and Metrology under the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic ("Kyrgyzstandard").

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11. According to paragraph 2 of Article 8 of the Law of the Kyrgyz Republic "On Standardization", Kyrgyzstandard is responsible for organization of publications and dissemination of information on drafts of state standards. Kyrgyzstandard establishes the order of working out of standards, which entered into force by the order of Kyrgyzstandard of 30 December 1996, # 27-CT, according to which regional bodies on standardization shall submit to Kyrgyzstandard information on initiating of working out of standards, with the objective of further publishing.
