

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

Communication from Croatia

Revision

The following statement under Article 15.2 of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade has been received from the delegation of Croatia.

I. TRANSPARENCY

A. GOVERNMENTAL INSTITUTION

1. The Ministry of Economy, Labour and Entrepreneurship of the Republic of Croatia has the overall responsibility for ensuring that obligations under the Agreement are fulfilled.

B. ENQUIRY POINT AND NOTIFICATION POINT

2. By the Decision of the Government of the Republic of Croatia of 24 September 1998, the official Enquiry point on technical regulations, standards and conformity assessment procedures was established within the State Office for Standardization and Metrology (DZNM), (G/TBT/2/Add. 73).

3. In accordance with The Regulation on the Establishment of the Croatian Standards Institute (HZN) of 1 July 2005, the activities of the WTO/TBT Enquiry point take place within the Croatian Standards Institute (HZN).

4. In accordance with the Decision of the Government of the Republic of Croatia of 21 December 2010, HZN is defined as the Enquiry point and Notification point of the WTO/TBT.

5. The address, telephone and fax numbers are as follows:

WTO/TBT Enquiry point and Notification point
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6. The Croatian Standard Institute (HZN) performs notification procedures on technical regulations, standards and conformity assessment procedures as well as information exchange in accordance with Article 10.

C. PUBLICATIONS

7. Technical rules adopted in the form of laws or regulations are published in the Official Gazette of the Republic of Croatia (Croatian title: Narodne novine, <http://www.nn.hr>). Standards and information are published in the Bulletin of the Croatian Standard Institute (Croatian title: HZN e-glasilo, www.hzn.hr).

II. RELEVANT LAWS AND REGULATIONS

8. The Croatian Standards Institute (HZN) administration is regulated by: The Standardization Act

9. The Standardization Act of 6 October 2003 (OG 163/03, 4 pages) regulates the principles and aims of Croatian standardization, the establishment, organization and activities of the national standards body, the preparation and publishing of Croatian standards and their application.

10. Regulation on the Establishment of the Croatian Standards Institute (HZN) of 1 July 2005 (OG 44/2005 and 30/2010).

11. By this Regulation the Republic of Croatia established a public institution under the name of **Hrvatski zavod za norme – HZN** (English: Croatian Standards Institute) for the purpose of achieving standardization goals and performing the activities and tasks of the national standardization.

12. The Decision of the Government of the Republic of Croatia from the 21 December 2010, defined HZN as the Enquiry point and Notification point of the WTO/TBT.
