

**VOLUNTARY NOTIFICATION
OF SPECIFIC TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE
NEEDS OR RESPONSES**

1. Member notifying (including, if applicable, an indication of relevant bodies) <u>ARMENIA</u>
2. The technical assistance activity needed or provided may be relevant to the following Article(s) of the TBT Agreement:¹ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Articles 2 and 3 on technical regulations <input type="checkbox"/> Article 4 and Annex 3 on standards and the Code of Good Practice <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Articles 5, 7 and 8 on development of conformity assessment procedures <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Article 6 on recognition of conformity assessment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Article 9 on international and regional systems for conformity assessment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Articles 2, 5 and 10 on information exchange (e.g. notifications, enquiry point) <input type="checkbox"/> Article 11 on technical assistance to other Members <input type="checkbox"/> Article 12 on special and differential treatment of developing country Members <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Article 13 on the TBT Committee (participation in work of TBT Committee) <input type="checkbox"/> Other:
3. Brief description of objective and rationale of the technical assistance activity, including, if possible, an estimation of the resources needed or on offer (e.g., financial or man-hours):² With the aim of further development and harmonization of technical regulations and conformity assessment procedures the staff of the WTO Notification Agency in the Republic of Armenia and relevant bodies involving to the implementation of TBT Agreement need to improve and gain knowledge of international standards, technical regulations, guides and recommendations on development of technical regulations and conformity assessment procedures and other information on standards of products. The improvement can be realized by the training courses, workshops and other meetings in the framework of the TBT Agreement.

¹ For needs: if there is difficulty in establishing which Articles of the TBT Agreement are relevant, it is recommended that the "Needs assessment" and/or "Awareness raising" box be crossed under Point 4. Under Point 2 it may then be sufficient to cross the "Other" box and indicate "General".

² This description should explain how this activity is intended to enhance implementation of specific provision(s) of the TBT Agreement listed in Point 2.

4. Nature and timing of technical assistance activity needed or on offer (key words):*Type of assistance*

- ☒ Awareness raising
☐ Needs assessment
☒ Skills training
☒ Infrastructure development
☐ Other:

Policy area covered

- ☒ Technical regulations
☒ Conformity assessment procedures
☒ Standardization
☒ Information exchange
☐ Other:

Mode of delivery

- ☒ Workshop, seminar or other event
☐ Project-based activity
☐ Other:

Dates

- ☒ Envisaged start date for activity: **January 2006**
☐ Estimated duration:

5. Further information available from:

- ☒ National enquiry point.
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☐ Other contact point:³

☐ Other reference:⁴

³ Name of a contact person with telephone and e-mail address.

⁴ For example an Internet address, or the address of a body other than that of the Enquiry Point. For response notifications, this space could be used to make reference to previous relevant submissions or statements made in the TBT Committee (or other body).