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Committee on Import Licensing

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AGREEMENT ON IMPORT LICENSING PROCEDURES

NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 5.1 TO 5.4 OF THE AGREEMENT¹

KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN

The following notification, of which the first draft was received on 15 October 2019, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the Kingdom of Bahrain.

| | Category | Notification details | | |
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| 1 | Notifying Member | Kingdom of Bahrain | | |
| 2 | Title of new legislation/procedure | Kingdom of Bahrain Technical Regulations for Automotive Spare Parts | | |
| 3 | Date of Publication | 3 July 1996 | | |
| 4 | Date of entry into force | 3 July 1996 | | |
| 5 | Website link/Official publication of the new regulation/procedure | Legislation and Legal Opinion Commission website: <u>http://www.legalaffairs.gov.bh</u> Ministerial Order No. 3 of 1996 With Respect to Automotive Spare Parts Technical Requirements: <u>http://www.legalaffairs.gov.bh/Media/LegalPDF/RCOM0396.pdf</u> | | |
| 6 | Have you attached a copy of the regulation (PDF) to the Secretariat | [X] Yes. (<i>Please attach a copy of the regulation to the notification.</i>)[] No. | | |
| 7 | Type of notification | [X] (a) New licensing regulation/procedure²; (please answer question 8 to 14) [] (b) Changes to a regulation/procedure which has been previously notified in document:; (please answer question 15 and 16) | | |
| 8 | List of products subject to licensing | See attached Annex | | |
| 9 | Nature of licensing | Automatic: [] | | |
| | | | | |
| 10 | Administrative purpose/measure being implemented | Non-Automatic: [X] (a) Protect public morals; (b) Protect human, animal or plant life and health; protect environment; (c) Collect trade statistics or market surveillance; (d) Protection of patents, trademarks and copyrights, and the prevention of deceptive practices; (e) Pursue obligations under the UN Charter and other international treaties (<i>i.e. CITES, Basel Convention, Rotterdam Convention, UNSC Resolutions etc.</i>) (f) Quota (including TRQ) administration; | | |

¹ It is understood that the notifying Member has also completed its notification obligations under Article 1.4(a) and Article 8.2(b) regarding the relevant law/regulation/procedure notified for by filling this form in a full and complete manner.

² "New licensing regulation/procedure" is understood to refer to any newly introduced law, regulation or procedure, and those which are in force but being notified for the first time to the Committee.

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| | Category | Notification details | | |
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| | | (g) Regulate imports of arms, ammunition or fissionable materials and safeguard national security; | | |
| | | (h) Other: (please specify) | | |
| 11 | Administrative body(ies) for submission of applications | Ministry/authority and Department: Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Tourism/Testing and Metrology Directorate Address: Manama – Sea Front - Financial Harbour Gate, Road Number: 4626 Website: <u>http://www.moic.gov.bh</u> Telephone: +97317574871 P.O.Box: 5479 | | |
| 12 | Contact point for information on eligibility | Ministry/authority and Department: Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Tourism/Testing and Metrology Directorate Address: Manama – Sea Front - Financial Harbour Gate – 3rd Floor, Road Number: 4626 Website: <u>http://www.moic.gov.bh</u> Telephone: +97317574871 E-Mail: <u>bsmd@moic.gov.bh</u> | | |
| 13 | Expected duration of licensing procedure | Ongoing | | |
| 14 | A summary of the notification in one of the WTO official languages | To adopt import requirements for air conditioners, and determines conformity assessment procedures that suppliers must comply with during the presentation and placement of air conditioners onto the market in the Kingdom of Bahrain and this has been done to ensure energy efficiency. | | |
| 15 | In the case of 7(b), please indicate the type of new change(s) | (a) | | |
| | | Product coverage; Administrative purpose; Automatic or Non-automatic; Duration of licensing; Change the nature of quantity/value restriction; Eligibility of applicants; Contact information on eligibility; Administrative body(ies) for submission of application; Documentation requirements (including application form); Period for Application; Administrative body(ies) to issue licence; Processing time for issuing licence; Licence fee/administrative charge; Deposit/advance payment and relevant conditions; Appeal regulations/procedures; Validity of licence; Other conditions of licence (extension, transferability, penalty of non-use etc.); Foreign exchange requirements; Other: (please specify). | | |
| 16 | Please elaborate the changes in detail (in one of the WTO official languages) | | | |

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ANNEX

List of products subject to licensing procedures:

| S.N. | Product Description | H.S. Code (8 Digits – 2017 Edition) | | |
|------------------------|--|---|--|--|
| Automotive Spare Parts | | | | |
| 1 | Brake linings and pads | 68138100 | | |
| 2 | Other | 68138900 | | |
| 3 | Gaskets, of metal combined with other materials or more than 1 metal layer | 84841000 | | |
| 4 | Mechanical seals | 84842000 | | |
| 5 | Other | 84849000 | | |
