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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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

COMMUNICATION FROM NEPAL

Addendum

The following communication under Article 15.2 of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade, dated 18 May 2017, has been received from the delegation of Nepal.

1. Ministry of Commerce, Government of Nepal is responsible for coordinating on the national level regarding the provisions concerning notification procedures as per Article 10.10 of the TBT Agreement.

2. Nepal Bureau of Standards and Metrology is the national standardization body of Nepal. NBSM ensures that preparation and adoption of national standards and conformity assessment procedures are in line with international standards and relevant guidelines where they exist in accordance WTO/TBT Agreement.

3. Nepal Bureau of Standards and Metrology (NBSM) has been designated as the enquiry point for TBT by the Government of Nepal as per Article 10.3 of the TBT Agreement.

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4. All enquiries about Nepal standards from Members and requests for draft of existing and proposed standards, technical regulations and conformity assessment procedures notified by Nepal are being responded by the enquiry point.

5. Technical regulations are adopted by relevant ministries of Government of Nepal and they are notified to WTO Members through above mentioned notification mechanism.

Relevant Legislations:

- Nepal Standards (Certification Mark) Act 1980 - Currently under revision
 - Standard Measurement and Weight Act, 1968
 - Consumer Protection act, 1998
 - Food Act, 1967
 - Environmental Protection Act, 1997
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