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## **Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade**

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

## COMMUNICATION FROM SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS

## Addendum

The following communication under Article 15.2 of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade, dated 29 June 2017, has been received from the delegation of <u>Saint Kitts and Nevis</u>.

- 1. In compliance with Article 15.2 of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade, the Government of Saint Kitts and Nevis as a signatory to the WTO Agreement, wishes to notify the Committee of the procedures implemented to ensure the application and administration of the Agreement. The Committee shall be informed of any changes thereafter.
- 2. No special legislation is required in St. Kitts and Nevis to implement the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade. All pertinent Government Departments and Regulatory Authorities responsible for the implementation and administration of technical regulations, standards and conformity assessment procedures have been provided with copies of the Agreement, and have been informed accordingly of their obligations under it.
- 3. The St. Kitts and Nevis Bureau of Standards (SKNBS) was officially established on 19 March 1999 under the National Bureau of Standards Act  $N^{\circ}$  7 of 1999 now the National Bureau of Standards Act, Cap. 23.15 of the Revised Laws of Saint Christopher and Nevis.
- 4. Notices of proposed technical regulations and all draft standards are published in the Official Gazette. The general public is also notified through the local press. Individuals are allowed a period of at least sixty days to make comments.
- 5. In accordance with Article 10.1 and 10.3 of the TBT Agreement, the Enquiry Point of Saint Kitts and Nevis is:

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