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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 23 March 2015, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the European Union.

The European Union would like to inform the WTO Members that the deadline for EU Member States to transpose the Commission Directive 2012/9/EU amending Annex I to Directive 2001/37/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States concerning the manufacture, presentation and sale of tobacco products, and the deadline for the end of the transitional period provided for by that Directive, have been amended.

Commission Directive 2012/9/EU was notified at a draft stage under G/TBT/N/EEC/380 and the adopted text was published in the Official Journal of the EU (OJ L 69, 8.3.2012, p. 15) and is also available at:

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?qid=1426243531467&uri=CELEX:32012L0009>

Commission Directive 2014/39/EU amended Directive 2012/9/EU for the first time as regards the date for its transposition and the deadline for the end of the transitional period and was notified at a draft stage under G/TBT/N/EEC/380/Add.2. The adopted text was published in the Official Journal of the EU (OJ L 73, 13.3.2014, p. 3) and is also available at:

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?qid=1426585438773&uri=CELEX:32014L0039>

It is necessary to align Directive 2012/9/EU with Directive 2014/40/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 3 April 2014 on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States concerning the manufacture, presentation and sale of tobacco and related products and repealing Directive 2001/37/EC. Directive 2014/40/EU was notified at a draft stage under G/TBT/N/EEC/88. The adopted text was published in the Official Journal of the EU (OJ L 127, 29.04.2014, p. 1) and is also available at:

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?qid=1426772554795&uri=CELEX:32014L0040>

The draft Directive amending Commission Directive 2012/9/EU, therefore

- amends the deadline for transposition of Directive 2012/9/EU by EU Member States;
- amends the deadline for the end of the transitional period provided for by Directive 2012/9/EU.

The text of the draft Directive is available on the EU-TBT website <http://ec.europa.eu/growth/tools-databases/tbt/> (using the search function for notification EEC/380).

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2015/TBT/EEC/15_1354_00_e.pdf
