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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1.	Notifying Member: <u>ECUADOR</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: <i>Instituto Ecuatoriano de Normalización, INEN</i> (Ecuadorian Standardization Institute) Baquerizo E8-29 y Almagro Quito, Ecuador Tel.: +593 2 250-1885 Fax: +593 2 256-7815 Email: puntocontactoOTCECU@mipro.gob.ec Website: http://www.inen.gob.ec Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers and e-mail and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above: <i>Subsecretaría de la Calidad</i> (Under-Secretariat for Quality) <i>Ministerio de Industrias y Productividad, MIPRO</i> (Ministry of Industry and Productivity) Yánez Pinzón N26-12, entre Av. Colón y La Niña Quito, Ecuador Tel.: +593 2 394-8760, Ext. 2358 Email: mmartinez@mipro.gob.ec ; puntocontactoOTCECU@mipro.gob.ec Website: http://www.industrias.gob.ec
3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): 1704.10, 1704.10.10, 1704.10.90, 1704.90, 1704.90.10 and 1704.90.90
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: <i>Proyecto de Reglamento Técnico Ecuatoriano PRTE INEN 103, "Productos de Confitería"</i> (Draft Technical Regulation of the Ecuadorian Standardization Institute (PRTE INEN) No. 103: "Sugar confectionery") (6 pages, in Spanish).
6.	Description of content: The notified draft Technical Regulation covers the following: Purpose; Scope; Definitions; Classification; Product requirements; Labelling requirements; Conformity assessment tests; Sampling; Reference documents; Conformity assessment procedure; Monitoring and inspection authority; Penalty regime; Liability of conformity assessment bodies; and Review and updating.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: The notified Technical Regulation lays down the requirements to be met by sugar confectionery, with a view to preventing risks to human life and health and practices likely to mislead consumers.

<p>It applies to the following products that are manufactured in, imported into or marketed in Ecuador:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sweets, toffees, caramels, pastilles, drops, lozenges, sugar-coated (panned) goods, gum confectionery, jelly confectionery, fruit pastes and nougat, whether or not sugar-free; - Chewing/bubble gum, whether or not sugar-free.
<p>8. Relevant documents:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Publication where notice appears: http://www.industrias.gob.ec and http://www.inen.gob.ec; 2. Proposal and basic document: <i>PRTE INEN 103 "Productos de Confitería"</i> (Draft Technical Regulation of the Ecuadorian Standardization Institute (PRTE INEN) No. 103: "Sugar confectionery"); 3. Publication in which Technical Regulation will be published when adopted: <i>Registro Oficial</i> (Official Journal).
<p>9. Proposed date of adoption: 90 days as from 11 December 2013.</p> <p>Proposed date of entry into force: Six months after adoption.</p>
<p>10. Final date for comments: 11 March 2014</p>
<p>11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and e-mail and website addresses, if available, of other body:</p> <p>Contact and/or National enquiry point: Subsecretaría de la Calidad Ministerio de Industrias y Productividad, MIPRO Yáñez Pinzón N26-12, entre Av. Colón y La Niña Quito, Ecuador Tel.: +593 2 394-8760, Ext. 2358 Email: mmartinez@mipro.gob.ec; puntocontactoOTCECU@mipro.gob.ec Website: http://www.industrias.gob.ec</p>