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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>ISRAEL</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Israel WTO-TBT Enquiry Point Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above: Israel WTO-TBT Enquiry Point Ministry of Economy and Industry Tel.: + (972) 3 7347502 Fax: + (972) 3 7347626 E-mail: Yael.Friedgut@economy.gov.il
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): Protective clothing (HS: 61, 62, 63; ICS: 13.340.10)
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: SI 1258 part 4 – Protective clothing: High-visibility warning clothing – test methods and requirements (74 pages, in English; 8 pages, in Hebrew)
6.	Description of content: Revision of the Mandatory Standard SI 1258 part 4, dealing with high-visibility warning clothing. This draft standard revision is an implementation of both the European Standard EN ISO 20471: March 2013 and the American Standard ANSI/ISEA 107 – 2010, and allows compliance with either of them. The major differences between the old version and this new revised draft standard are the new modifications introduced to the adopted European standard, as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Requires that the sleeves of type 3 clothing should be long• Facilitates the requirement for the material's strength• Deletes the requirement for retroreflective level 2• Sterns the materials ageing test and requires that the background materials must be checked at the end of all cleaning cycles, as specified by the manufacturer Both the old standard and the new revised standard will apply for a period of 12 months from date of entry into force. During this time protective clothing could be tested according to the old or the new revised standards.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health or safety

8.	Relevant documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Israel Mandatory Standard SI 1258 part 4 (August 2014)• EN ISO 20471: March 2013• American Standard ANSI/ISEA 107 – 2010
9.	Proposed date of adoption: To be determined Proposed date of entry into force: Both the old standard and the new revised standard will apply for a period of 12 months from date of entry into force. During this time protective clothing could be tested according to the old or the new revised standards.
10.	Final date for comments: 60 days from notification
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body: http://www.economy.gov.il/standartization/WTO_TBT/ISR_Text/SI1258Part4_Sep14.pdf