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AGREEMENT REACHED BY A MEMBER WITH ANOTHER COUNTRY OR COUNTRIES ON ISSUES RELATED TO TECHNICAL REGULATIONS, STANDARDS OR CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES

Notification

Under Article 10.7 of the Agreement "Whenever a Member has reached an agreement with any other country or countries on issues related to technical regulations, standards or conformity assessment procedures which may have a significant effect on trade, at least one Member party to the agreement shall notify other Members through the Secretariat of the products to be covered by the agreement and include a brief description of the agreement." The following notification under Article 10.7 has been received.

1.	**Member notifying:** SINGAPORE
2.	**Title of the bilateral or plurilateral Agreement:** Agreement on the ASEAN Harmonised Cosmetic Regulatory Scheme (AHCRS)
3.	**Parties to the Agreement:** Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN)
4.	**Date of entry into force of the Agreement:** 1 January 2008
5.	**Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading):** Cosmetic Products
6.	**Subject matter covered by the Agreement (technical regulations, standards or conformity assessment procedures):** Technical Regulations and Conformity assessment procedures.

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7. Brief description of the Agreement: Under the Agreement on the ASEAN Harmonised Cosmetic Regulatory Scheme (AHCRS) signed by ASEAN Economic Ministers in September 2003, all ASEAN Member Countries, including Singapore, are obliged to implement the ASEAN Cosmetic Directive (ACD) by 01 January 2008.

The AHCRS aims to remove technical barriers to trade by harmonising regulatory and technical requirements across ASEAN without compromising product safety and quality.

Please see documents in the following website for the AHCRS and ACD.

http://www.hsa.gov.sg/publish/hsaportal/en/health_products_regulation/cosmetic_products/asean_regulatory.html

8. Further information available from:

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