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The DITR is being established by DIN, the German Standards Institute, in co-operation with the Federal Government. This body is the central point to which to address all questions concerning technical rules in the Federal Republic of Germany.

The Centre provides information about all technical rules (including standards, technical regulations and certification systems) valid in the Federal Republic of Germany, irrespective of whether the technical rules have been issued by federal or local authorities or by non-governmental bodies. At present the computer-aided DITR databank comprises information about 36,000 technical rules either in force or in the draft stage.

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Italy

For proper operation of the enquiry point system, Italy has considered it appropriate to divide the functions indicated in the Agreement between the two following institutions:

- (a) MICA DGPI
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Direzione Generale Produzione Industriale
Ispettorato Tecnico Industria
Via Molise, 2
I-00100 Roma
- Telex: 610154 MININD I
- (b) CNR - STIBNOT
Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche
Servizio Trasferimento Innovazioni, Brevetti, Normativa Tecnica
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I-00198 Roma
- Telex: 620623 CNRSTI I

Information obtainable from the Italian enquiry points:

- (a) MICA-DGPI has established an enquiry point to answer requests about notifications under Articles 2.5.2, 2.6.1, 7.3.2 and 7.4.1 of the Agreement, as well as those concerning the technical regulations, standards and certification systems to be adopted in Italy.
- (b) The CNR-STIBNOT enquiry point answers enquiries about technical regulations, standards and certification systems already adopted in the context of their territorial jurisdiction by central government institutions, central and local public institutions, where the relevant provisions are compulsory.

The information available concerns the following sectors: fresh and processed agricultural products; construction materials and products; chemical products; pharmaceutical products; engineering and motor vehicle industries; shipbuilding (merchant vessels and pleasure-craft); electronics; electrotechnics (excluding telephony); footwear, hides and skins; textiles and made-up articles; wood and derived products, furniture; paper and cellulose.

The CNR-STIBNOT archives at present contain regulatory texts promulgated since the Unification of Italy (1861), updated to 31 December 1980. These are electronic archives comprising more than 6,000 documents, corresponding to 24,000 document units (110 million bytes). The archives are currently being updated in accordance with the standards adopted on 31 December 1983, but are already available for consultation.

Japan

(a) Standards Information Service¹
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In relation to the services of these two bodies, a Standards Agreement Office has been established in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA).

Enquiries can be made in a GATT language.

¹Standards Information Service at MOFA mainly handles enquiries in the fields of drugs, cosmetics, medical devices, foodstuffs, food additives, telecommunications facilities, motor vehicles, ships, aircraft and railway equipment (excluding enquiries concerning Japanese Industrial Standards (JIS) which are handled by JETRO).

²Standards Information Service at JETRO mainly handles enquiries in the fields of electric equipment, gas appliances, measurement scales, foodstuffs, food additives, etc. Those enquiries concerning JIS on medical devices, motor vehicles, ships, aircraft and railway equipment are handled by JETRO.

Korea, Republic of

(a) For industrial products

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(b) For agricultural products:

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(c) For fishery products:

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- (a) For standardization and certification undertaken by the Singapore Institute of Standards and Industrial Research (SISIR):

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and Industrial Research (SISIR)
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Telex : RS 28499 SISIR

Telefax : 65 776 1280

- (b) For technical regulations relating to electrical safety of specific products:

Public Utilities Board
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- (c) For technical regulations relating to processed foods and poisons:

Ministry of the Environment
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Telephone: 732 77 33

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Telefax : 731 94 56

- (d) For technical regulations relating to fish, meat, fruits and vegetables:

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- (b) Enquiry point with regard to Spanish national standards:

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At some future date the Institute plans to computerize all information on technical regulations and ministerial orders containing technical specifications.

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- (b) Enquiry point with regard to Article 10.2:

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(b) Non-Governmental Standards:

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The United States' enquiry point, in the National Institute of Standards and Technology, maintains a reference collection of standards, specifications, test methods, codes and recommended practices. This reference material includes United States' government agencies regulations, and standards of United States private standards-developing organizations and foreign national and international standardizing bodies. The enquiry point responds to all enquiries for information concerning federal, state and private regulations, standards, and conformity assessment procedures.

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