NOTIFICATION

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

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** ARGENTINA  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** *Secretaría de Comercio Interior* (Secretariat of Domestic Trade)  **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:**  Enquiry point (see section 11) |
| **3.** | **Notified under Article 2.9.2 [ ], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [X], 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):** Low-voltage electrical products |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** *Sistemas de vigilancia del régimen de certificación obligatoria de los productos eléctricos de baja tensión. Etiquetado de eficiencia energética. Suspensión* (Monitoring systems for the mandatory certification regime for low-voltage electrical products. Energy efficiency labelling. Suspension) (5 pages, in Spanish) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The notified Resolution suspends the effects of former Secretariat of Industry, Trade and Mining Resolution No. 319/1999 and former Secretariat of Trade Resolution No. 169/2018 with respect to the time frames for monitoring systems and all monitoring records already issued for certificates, whose status is "regularized" and "in order", which have expired or are due to expire on or before 1 October 2020.  The time frames shall be extended for the duration of the health emergency declared as a result of the Covid-19 epidemiological situation, in accordance with Decree No. 297/2020 and the amendments thereto.  To apply for the above-mentioned benefit, technical certification bodies shall submit an application to the Under-Secretariat for Domestic Market Policies through the "remote formalities" platform, as per the requirements laid down in the Annex to the notified Resolution (page 5). |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Health emergency declared as a result of the Covid-19 epidemiological situation; Consumer information, labelling; Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Protection of human health or safety; Protection of animal or plant life or health; Other |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**   * Former Secretariat of Industry, Trade and Mining Resolution No. 319/1999and the amendments thereto (G/TBT/Notif.99/498 and the Addendums thereto; G/TBT/N/ARG/8; G/TBT/N/ARG/310; G/TBT/N/ARG/311 and G/TBT/N/ARG/311/Add.1)   <http://servicios.infoleg.gob.ar/infolegInternet/anexos/55000-59999/57667/texact.htm>   * Former Secretariat of Trade Resolution No. 169/2018 and the amendments thereto (G/TBT/N/ARG/297/Add.11-14)   <http://servicios.infoleg.gob.ar/infolegInternet/anexos/305000-309999/308277/texact.htm>   * Decree (NU) No. 297/2020 and the amendments thereto   <http://servicios.infoleg.gob.ar/infolegInternet/anexos/335000-339999/335741/texact.htm> |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** Not applicable  **Proposed date of entry into force:** Not applicable |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** Not applicable |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**  *Subsecretaría de Políticas para el Mercado Interno* (Under-Secretariat for Domestic Market Policies)  *Area de Obstáculos Técnicos al Comercio* (Technical Barriers to Trade Division)  [focalotc@produccion.gob.ar](mailto:focalotc@produccion.gob.ar)  [http://www.puntofocal.gob.ar](http://www.puntofocal.gob.ar/)  <http://www.puntofocal.gov.ar/formularios/notific_arg.php>  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/TBT/ARG/20_5403_00_s.pdf> |