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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.	<b>Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> National Treasury Agency Ministry of Finance 3F, 2 Ai Kuo West Road, Taipei, 100, Taiwan Telephone: (+886-2) 2322-7443 Fax: (+886-2) 2357-8380 E-mail: <a href="mailto:mavis@mail.nta.gov.tw">mavis@mail.nta.gov.tw</a> <b>Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:</b>
3.	<b>Notified under Article 2.9.2 [ ], 2.10.1 [ X ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>
4.	<b>Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Alcohol products
5.	<b>Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> The requirement for labelling lot numbers of production on alcohol products (2 pages, in Chinese; English translation available).
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> Alcohol products are required to label lot numbers of production starting from 20 January 2007. The lot numbers refer to specific characters, numerals or symbols that indicate the "lot" of the product, by which the record of each lot of production can be traced for audit. A "lot" number of a product refers to a specific amount of products produced by a particular production line within a specific period of time. In the case that the label of an alcohol product bears the date of packing or expiration and such date can be used to deduce the date of packaging, the date of packing or expiration can be regarded as the lot number of production.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Consumer information
8.	<b>Relevant documents:</b> The requirement for labelling lot numbers of production on alcohol products; The Tobacco and Alcohol Administration Act

<b>9.</b>	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> 20 July 2005 <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> 20 January 2007
<b>10.</b>	<b>Final date for comments:</b> N/A
<b>11.</b>	<b>Texts available from: National enquiry point [ X ] or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body:</b>  WTO/TBT Enquiry Point Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection Ministry of Economic Affairs 4 Chinan Road, Section 1, Taipei, 100, Taiwan Telephone: (+886-2) 2343-1814 Fax: (+886-2) 2343-1804 E-mail: <a href="mailto:tbtenq@bsmi.gov.tw">tbtenq@bsmi.gov.tw</a>