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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. Member to Agreement notifying: THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU
 - If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
- 2. Agency responsible:

Ministry of the Interior

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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:

- 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): Motor vehicles and motorcycles with cylinder capacity exceeding 250 cc (HS: 8703.21-8703.90, 8704.21, 8711.30-50)
- **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Anti-theft VIN Regulations for Small Passenger Vehicles, Small Passenger-Cargo Dual-Purpose Vehicles, Small Cargo Vehicles and Ultra-Heavy Motorcycles (6 pages, in Chinese).
- **Description of content:** The Ministry of the Interior has proposed to enforce the anti-theft parts marking requirements to improve public order and reduce vehicle theft. The regulation covers small passenger vehicles, small passenger-cargo dual-purpose vehicles, small cargo vehicles and ultra-heavy motorcycles. It requires the marking of identification numbers (VIN) by domestic manufacturers, dealers or importers on specific designated major components.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: To prevent the theft of motor vehicles and enhance public order.
- **8. Relevant documents:** Article 17-1 of the Road Safety Traffic Regulations

9. **Proposed date of adoption:** 29 January 2007 **Proposed date of entry into force:** 1 October 2007

10. Final date for comments: 31 March 2007

11. 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:

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