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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: <u>THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: The Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection (BSMI) Ministry of Economic Affairs 4 Chinan Road, Section 1, Taipei, 100 Taiwan Telephone: (+8862) 2343 1772 Fax: (+8862) 2392 2402 E-mail: ling.huang@bsmi.gov.tw 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): Sunglasses (HS: Chapters 90)
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Public Notice under the Commodity Inspection Act (2 pages in Chinese, English translation available).
6. Description of content: Sunglasses are one kind of personal protective equipment for protecting the eyes from solar radiation. In order to ensure that sunglasses placed on the market provide adequate protection of eyes, the BSMI would like to propose that these products be subject to mandatory inspection and the conformity assessment procedure would be our Declaration of Conformity Scheme.
7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Consumer protection
8. Relevant documents: The Commodity Inspection Act, CNS 15067
9. Proposed date of adoption: 1 January 2008 Proposed date of entry into force: 15 April 2008

10. Final date for comments: 60 days from date of notification

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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English translation available at:

<http://www.bsmi.gov.tw/upload/b05/TPKMsunglasses.pdf>