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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 (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
- 2. Agency responsible:

The Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection

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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:

- 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 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): Gas cylinders for outdoor cookers (CCCN 2711.13.00.00-1C for liquefied butane fuel, CCCN 2711.19.10.00-3C for petroleum gases fuel in the liquefied state (mixed liquefied propane and butane), CCCN 2901.10.20.00-0C for butane fuel).
- **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Public Notice under the Commodity Inspection Act (1 page in Chinese, English translation available).
- **6. Description of content:** Because gas cylinders for outdoor cookers contain flammable and pressurized gas, the Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection intends to require that gas cylinders for outdoor cookers be subject to safety requirements to protect consumers' rights and interests. The inspection standard CNS 15230 "Non-refillable metallic gas canisters for portable liquefied petroleum gas appliances" was adopted by the Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection (BSMI) on 17 January 2009 and is planned to apply to all such products starting 1 July 2010.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Consumer protection
- **8. Relevant documents:** CNS 15230

9. **Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined **Proposed date of entry into force:** 1 July 2010

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

11. Text 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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