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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 (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): Air conditioning machines (HS Chapters 84)
- **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Public Notice under the Commodity Inspection Act (3 pages, in Chinese).
- 6. **Description of content:** The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu intends to amend the regulation for air conditioning machines as commodities subject to legal inspection by extending the inspection scope to those with cooling capacity not exceeding 71kW (excluding chillers). As of 1 January 2011, the air conditioning machines as mentioned above must be inspected by the Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection, and must conform to related CNS standards when imported or marketed. This notice also provides the applicable conformity assessment procedures. Two alternative conformity assessment procedures are available to manufacturers and importers at their choice, namely the Registration of Product Certification (RPC) or the Typeapproved Batch Inspection (TABI) Scheme.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Consumer protection

**Relevant documents:** The Commodity Inspection Act, CNS 3615, CNS 3765, IEC60335-2-40, CNS 13783-1

9. **Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined **Proposed date of entry into force:** 1 January 2011

**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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