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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>Notifying Member:</b> <u>THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> The Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection Ministry of Economic Affairs 4 Chinan Road, Section 1 Taipei City 100, Taiwan Telephone: (886-2) 2343-1700 ext. 908 Fax: (886-2) 3343-3991 E-mail: <a href="mailto:mar.jiuan@bsmi.gov.tw">mar.jiuan@bsmi.gov.tw</a> <b>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:</b>
3.	<b>Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [X], 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> Other keyboard, magnetic or optical readers, turntables (record-decks) (inspection scope: excluding those only both DC power and HI-END audio), turntables (record-decks) (inspection scope: those only DC power), magnetic tape-type video tape recorder/player (other than the articles of tariff no.85211011 for magnetic tapes of a width of 3/4 inch and over), other magnetic tape-type video tape recorder/player, magnetic tape-type video tape recorder/player (other than the articles of tariff no.85211021 for magnetic tapes of a width of 3/4 inch and over), other magnetic tape-type video tape player, pocket-size radio cassette-players, electrical machines with translation or dictionary functions, other electrical machines and apparatus (inspection scope: those only DC power) (HS: Chapter 84 & 85)
5.	<b>Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Public Notice under the Commodity Inspection Act (4 pages in Chinese, English translation available).

6.	<b>Description of content:</b> The TPKM will implement the amendment that inspection schemes of "Other Keyboard" 11 items of commodities adopt the Declaration of Conformity. As of 1 January 2014, all such products must be inspected with the DoC by the Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection (BSMI). Products that are allowed to apply the DoC procedure may be imported without being blocked by the customs for inspection. But they must comply with inspection requirements before they are placed on the market. The DoC announced by the BSMI to be applicable to certain products allows the manufacturer to have the testing done by laboratories on his choice from laboratories designated by the BSMI, to prepare the technical documents on his own, and to draw up the declaration declaring the conformity of his products with relevant standards. Both the technical documents and Declaration of Conformity shall be kept by the manufacturer for an applicable period. The manufacturer or importer shall apply to the BSMI or adequate BSMI branch office, depending on the jurisdiction area the BSMI assigned, for registration and a registration number for the DoC marking will be given to the manufacturer to be affixed to the products. The DoC marking must be affixed to the body of the products. And for the products covered in this notice, their applicable inspection standards remain unchanged.				
7.	<b>Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Relaxed rules.				
8.	<b>Relevant documents:</b> The Commodity Inspection Act, CNS 14336-1(2010), CNS 13438(2006), CNS 13439(2004), CNS 14408(2004).				
9.	<table border="0"> <tr> <td><b>Proposed date of adoption:</b></td><td>To be determined</td></tr> <tr> <td><b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b></td><td>1 January 2014</td></tr> </table>	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b>	To be determined	<b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b>	1 January 2014
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10.	<b>Final date for comments:</b> 15 days from the date of notification.				
11.	<b>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:</b>  WTO/TBT Enquiry Point The Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection Ministry of Economic Affairs 4 Chinan Road, Section 1 Taipei City 100, Taiwan Telephone: (886-2) 2343-1801 Fax: (886-2) 2343-1804 E-mail: <a href="mailto:tbtenq@bsmi.gov.tw">tbtenq@bsmi.gov.tw</a>  <a href="http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2013/tbt/CHT/13_3926_00_e.pdf">http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2013/tbt/CHT/13_3926_00_e.pdf</a> <a href="http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2013/tbt/CHT/13_3926_00_x.pdf">http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2013/tbt/CHT/13_3926_00_x.pdf</a>				