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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1. Notifying Member: 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:

Ministry of Transportation and Communications (MOTC)

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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): Vehicles of categories M2 and M3 (CCC Code: 8702 and 8703)
- **5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Public Notice under the Vehicle Safety Testing Directions (1 page, in Chinese; English translation available)
- **6. Description of content:** The MOTC intends to regulate the safety of open top buses to ensure the safety of users to get on, get off and ride on the open top floor. The proposed requirements are harmonized with UNECE R107, and including passenger protection, handrails and handholds for intercommunication staircases, vision and communication aid, technical requirements for emergency doors and emergency window and guarding of step wells and exposed seats etc.
- **7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** To enhance the safety of open top buses
- **8. Relevant documents:** Vehicle Safety Testing Directions
- **9. Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined

Proposed date of entry into force: Entry into force when published

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

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

WTO/TBT Enquiry Point
The Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection
Ministry of Economic Affairs
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