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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 6 January 2015, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu.

Notification of adoption, publication or entry into force of regulation:

The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penhu, Kimen and Matsu would like to inform the WTO Members that the "Draft Amendments to the Regulations Governing the Labeling of the Alcohol Products" as notified by G/TBT/N/TPKM/161 dated 28 April 2014 was amended in response to comments received from other members, and promulgated on 1 January 2015. The related amended regulations will come into force on 1 July 2015 (Articles 1, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 15), while the enforcement date of the rest part was on 1 January 2015. The content of the amendments is mainly as follows:

1. Warning label on alcohol products shall be at least 2.65 mm in font size (Article 11);
2. The current warning label "Please do not drink if you are a minor" is to be changed into "Drinking is prohibited if under 18 years old" and a new warning "Large quantity intake of alcohol product in a short period of time is lethal" is added (Article 11);
3. An alcohol product that is labeled with "aged" shall be indicated with a number of years of maturity (Article 12).

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