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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

<b>1. 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>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection Ministry of Economic Affairs No. 4 , Sec. 1, Jinan Rd. Zhongzheng Dist., Taipei City 100, Taiwan Tel: (886-2) 2343-1906 Fax: (886-2) 3343-3991 E-mail: <a href="mailto:mark.huang@bsmi.gov.tw">mark.huang@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>
<b>3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [X], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>
<b>4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b>  1) Plugs and socket-outlets for fixed wiring and adapters: a. Plugs and socket-outlets for fixed wiring (CCCN 8536.69.90.00.6A) b. Adapters (CCCN 8536.69.90.00.6C)  2) Cord sets: a. Cord extension sets (CCCN 8544.42.90.90.9A) b. Non-detachable cord sets (CCCN 8544.42.90.90.9B) c. Detachable cord sets (CCCN 8544.42.90.90.9C) d. Cord sets (CCCN 8544.42.90.90.9D) e. Cable reels (CCCN 8544.42.90.90.9E)  Other (HS: 853669)
<b>5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Public Notice under the Commodity Inspection Act (6 pages, in English; 4 pages, in Chinese)
<b>6. Description of content:</b> In accordance with the Commodity Inspection Act, plugs and socket-outlet for fixed wiring, adapters and cord sets are currently subject to mandatory inspection. To enhance consumer protection, the BSMI intends to revise the inspection standards for the products by adopting the up-to-date version.  In addition to the safety requirements for the commodities above, the BSMI proposes to require marking of presence conditions of restricted substances. Such markings shall be made in accordance with Section 5 of CNS 15663(2013-07) on the body, packages, stickers or the instruction books of the product. For those who utilize website as a means to announce "the presence conditions of the restricted substances," the website address shall be clearly stated on the body, packages, stickers or the instruction books of the

	<p>product.</p> <p>The conformity assessment procedures remain the same, i.e. Registration of Product Certification (RPC) or Type-approved Batch Inspection (TABI).</p>
7.	<p><b>Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> To enhance the consumer protection and reduce the use of the restricted chemical hazardous substances of electrical and electronic equipments.</p> <p>Quality requirements</p>
8.	<p><b>Relevant documents:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Commodity Inspection Act</li> <li>• CNS 690 (2016-03)</li> <li>• CNS 15767-1(2014-10)</li> <li>• CNS 15767-2-5(2014-10)</li> <li>• CNS 15767-2-7(2016-03)</li> <li>• CNS 15872(2016-03)</li> <li>• CNS 6797(1991-11)</li> <li>• CNS 60799(2016-03)</li> <li>• IEC 60320-1(2001-06)</li> <li>• CNS 61242(2016-03) and Section 5 "Marking of presence" of CNS 15663 (2013-07)</li> </ul>
9.	<p><b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> To be determined</p> <p><b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> 1 January 2018</p>
10.	<p><b>Final date for comments:</b> 60 days from notification</p>
11.	<p><b>Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:</b></p> <p>TPKM WTO/TBT Enquiry Point          Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection          Ministry of Economic Affairs          No.4 , Sec. 1, Jinan Rd.          Zhongzheng Dist., Taipei City 100, Taiwan          Tel.: (886-2) 3343-5191          Fax: (886-2) 2343-1804          E-mail: <a href="mailto:tbtenq@bsmi.gov.tw">tbtenq@bsmi.gov.tw</a></p> <p><a href="https://members.wto.org/crattachments/2016/TBT/TPKM/16_4024_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crattachments/2016/TBT/TPKM/16_4024_00_e.pdf</a></p> <p><a href="https://members.wto.org/crattachments/2016/TBT/TPKM/16_4024_00_x.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crattachments/2016/TBT/TPKM/16_4024_00_x.pdf</a></p>