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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.	Notifying Member: <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 (BSMI) Ministry of Economic Affairs 4, Chinan Road, Section 1 Taipei City 100 Taiwan Tel.: (886-2) 3343-5118 Fax: (886-2) 3343-3991 E-mail: wen.peng@bsmi.gov.tw 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): Steel deformed and plain bars for concrete reinforcement (refer to attachment).
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Public Notice under the Commodity Inspection Act (4 pages, in Chinese; English translation available)
6.	Description of content: Steel deformed and plain bars for concrete reinforcement are subject to the mandatory inspection under the certification system of The Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection (BSMI). BSMI will adopt the revised CNS 560 "Steel deformed and plain bars for concrete reinforcement" (promulgated on 5 February 2014) as new testing and inspection standard, instead of the current CNS 560 (promulgated on 5 February 2005). The BSMI is proposing that, beginning from 1 April 2015, steel deformed and plain bars for concrete reinforcement covered in the inspection scope must comply with revised CNS 560 when imported or placed on the market. The conformity assessment procedure of the steel deformed and plain bars for concrete reinforcement is the Registration of Product Certification (RPC) Scheme.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Consumer protection
8.	Relevant documents: The Commodity Inspection Act, CNS 560
9.	Proposed date of adoption: 1 November 2014 Proposed date of entry into force: 1 April 2015

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:

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