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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.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU (TPKM)</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection, Ministry of Economic Affairs (BSMI, MOEA) Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site 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): Gas cylinders which have the full load of liquefied petroleum gases and of a kind used for portable gas cookers, torches or refilling lighters. (CCCN 2711.13.00.00-1B for liquefied butane fuel, CCCN 271.19.10.00-3B for petroleum gases fuel in the liquefied state [mixed liquefied propane and butane], CCCN 2901.10.20.00-0B for butane fuel)
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: The Government Proposal for the mandatory inspection of the gas cylinders which have the full load of liquefied petroleum gases and of a kind used for portable gas cookers, torches or refilling lighters. (1 page, in Chinese). The TPKM Chinese National Standard CNS 14530 'Gas Cylinders for Portable Gas Cooker' (Chinese, 6 pages), and Sections 4, 5.6 and 9 of CNS 12951 'Liquefied petroleum gases' (6 pages, in Chinese)
6.	Description of content: (1) Inspection Scope: gas cylinders which have the full load of liquefied petroleum gases and of a kind used for portable gas cookers, torches or refilling lighters. (2) Inspection standard: The TPKM Chinese National Standard CNS 14530 'Gas Cylinders for Portable Gas Cooker' (published date: 6 March 2001), and Sections 4, 5.6 and 9 of CNS 12951 'Liquefied petroleum gases' (published date: 17 January 1992). (3) The above-mentioned products shall not be imported into or marketed within the TPKM's territory unless they have passed type-test and have been certified by the BSMI. The importers or domestic manufacturers must submit applications to the BSMI for certifications of their products.

7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Consumer protection.
8.	Relevant documents: Please see section 5
9.	Proposed date of adoption: Proposed date of entry into force: } January 2003
10.	Final date for comments: 60 days from date of notification
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body: