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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</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: National Treasury Agency Ministry of Finance 3F, 2 Ai Kuo West Road, Taipei, 100, Taiwan Telephone: (+886-2) 2322-7443 Fax: (+886-2) 2357-8380 E-mail: mavis@mail.nta.gov.tw 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 [], 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): Alcohol products
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: A proposed requirement for labelling the content of sulfur dioxide in alcohol products if the content of sulfur dioxide is over 0.25g/L and not exceeding 0.4g/L (1 page, in Chinese; English translation available).
6.	Description of content: With a view to providing consumers with information on the content of sulfur dioxide in alcohol products, it is proposed that the sulfur dioxide content in each liter of an alcohol beverage be labelled if it is over 0.25g and not exceeding 0.4g. The labelling is required to bear the following wording: "The content of sulfur dioxide in this product is below 400 ppm." Where the content of sulfur dioxide of an alcoholic beverage is below 0.25 g/L, the amount of the sulfur dioxide is not required to be labelled.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Consumer information
8.	Relevant documents: The proposed requirement for labelling the content of sulfur dioxide in alcohol products; The Tobacco and Alcohol Administration Act

9.	Proposed date of adoption: To be determined Proposed date of entry into force: 18 months after adoption
10.	Final date for comments: 60 days from the circulation date
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: WTO/TBT Enquiry Point Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection Ministry of Economic Affairs 4 Chinan Road, Section 1, Taipei, 100, Taiwan Telephone: (+886-2) 2343-1814 Fax: (+886-2) 2343-1804 E-mail: tbtenq@bsmi.gov.tw