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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.	<b>Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> The Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection Ministry of Economic Affairs 4 Chinan Road, Section 1 Taipei, 100, Taiwan Telephone: (+8862) 2343 1907 Fax: (+8862) 3343 3991 E-mail: wen.le@bsmi.gov.tw <b>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:</b>
3.	<b>Notified under Article 2.9.2 [ X ], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ X ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>
4.	<b>Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Power press or shearing machinery and similar equipment (HS: Chapters 84).
5.	<b>Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Public Notice under the Commodity Inspection Act (2 pages in Chinese, English translation available).
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu intends to regulate power press or shearing machinery and similar equipment as commodities subject to inspection. As of 1 January 2009, all such products must be inspected by the Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection (BSMI), and must conform to the requirements of “Standard of Prevention and Guarding Devices–Machinery and Tools” when marketed. The Standard for the aforementioned products are announced by the Council of Labour Affairs on 27 July 1992 and amended on 30 July 2004. The conformity assessment procedure for power press or shearing machinery and similar equipment is Registration of Product Certification (RPC) Scheme.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Consumer protection
8.	<b>Relevant documents:</b> “The Commodity Inspection Act” and “Standard of Prevention and Guarding Devices–Machinery and Tools.”

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<b>9.</b>	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b>	To be determined
	<b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b>	1 January 2009
<b>10.</b>	<b>Final date for comments:</b> 60 days from date of notification	
<b>11.</b>	<b>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:</b>	
	WTO/TBT Enquiry Point The Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection Ministry of Economic Affairs 4 Chinan Road, Section 1 Taipei, 100, Taiwan Tel.: (+8862) 3343 5140 Fax: (+8862) 2343 1804 E-mail: tbtenq@bsmi.gov.tw English translation available at :	
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