NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Israel **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Israel WTO-TBT Enquiry Point**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:** Israel WTO-TBT Enquiry Point Ministry of Economy and IndustryTel: + (972) 74 750 2236E-mail: Yael.Friedgut@economy.gov.il |
| **3.** | **Notified under Article 2.9.2 [****],** **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):** Commodities subject to mandatory standards |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Amendment of the Import and Export Ordinance [new version], 5739-1979, incorporated into Israel's Economic Policy Law (Legislation Amendments for the Implementation of the Economic Policy for Budget Years 2021 and 2022), 5781-2021, Chapter \_: Imports (12 pages in Hebrew, out of 63 pages. Please see Section 1 on pages 4-14, and for its entry into force see Section 3 on page 18). |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** Draft amendment of the Import and Export Ordinance incorporated into Israel's Economic Policy Law (Legislation Amendments for the Implementation of the Economic Policy for Budget years 2021 and 2022), 5781-2021, Chapter \_: Imports, Section 1, published by the Ministry of Finance.Israel's Economic Policy Law is a government bill presented to the Knesset (Israel's parliament) alongside the State Budget Law. This legislation incorporates government legislative amendments for structural, institutional, and policy reforms necessary for the government to fulfil its economic policy. The Economic Policy Law devotes a separate section to Israel's **Import and Export Ordinance** and introduces an amendment aiming to reduce the cost of living by facilitating the flow of imported goods into Israel.The notified draft amendment creates a new import regime that allows the import of commodities complying with International Standards, which were adopted as Israeli standards, to be based on an importer's declaration of conformity.This new import regime does not apply to the following products: Hydraulic lifting equipment, pressure equipment and accessories, appliances using liquefied petroleum gas (LPG cooking gas), gas cylinders, pressure regulators, gas valves, gas meters, gas piping, and other gas appliances.The notified draft amendment should be approved before 4 November 2021, together with Israel's National Budget for the years 2021-2022.  |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Reducing trade barriers and facilitating trade |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:** The Import and Export Ordinance [new version], 5739-1979 |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** By 4 November 2021**Proposed date of entry into force:** 1 June 2022; The Minister of Economy and Industry will have the authority to postpone the said date one time only, for a period of nine months, if the necessary enforcement preparations have not been completed. |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 60 days from 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:** WTO-TBT Enquiry Point Yael.Friedgut@economy.gov.il For the draft amendment of the Import and Export Ordinance, please see Section 1 on pages 4-14, and for its entry into force, see Section 3 on page 18:<https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/TBT/ISR/21_5407_00_x.pdf> |