NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** PANAMA  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:**  *Ministerio de Comercio e Industrias* (Ministry of Trade and Industry)  *Dirección General de Normas y Tecnología Industrial* (Directorate-General for Standards and Industrial Technology)  Vía Ricardo J. Alfaro, Calle El Paical, Edificio Plaza Edison, 3er Piso  Panamá, Panama  Tel.: (+507) 560-0716/(+507) 560-0600, Ext. 5965  Email: [TLau@mici.gob.pa](mailto:TLau@mici.gob.pa)  Website: [www.mici.gob.pa](http://www.mici.gob.pa/)  **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 [ ], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [X], 5.7.1 [ ], 3.2 [ ], 7.2 [ ], other:** |
| **4.** | **Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):** Single-use plastic products: Plastic ear swabs, plastic laundry covers, plastic egg cartons, disposable plastic stirrers, plastic balloon holders, plastic toothpicks, plastic drinking straws, plastic cocktail sticks, plastic candy sticks, plastic can rings and disposable plastic plates. |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** *Procedimiento de Evaluación de la Conformidad para la comercialización e importación de los artículos dispuestos en el artículo 8 de la Ley N°187 de 2 de diciembre de 2020* (Conformity assessment procedure for the marketing and importation of the items provided for in Article 8 of Law No. 187 of 2 December 2020) (4 pages, in Spanish) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** Procedure for imported products; procedure for domestic products. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Environment |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**  Law No. 187 of 2 December 2020 regulating the reduction and gradual replacement of single-use plastics, which seeks to establish the regulatory framework governing single-use plastic products in national territory, as part of the State's public environmental policy. |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined  **Proposed date of entry into force:** To be determined |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 60 days from notification |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [ ] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**  *Ministerio de Comercio e Industrias* (Ministry of Trade and Industry)  *Dirección General de Normas y Tecnología Industrial* (Directorate-General for Standards and Industrial Technology)  Vía Ricardo J. Alfaro, Calle El Paical, Edificio Plaza Edison, 3er Piso  Panamá, Panama  Tel.: (+507) 560-0716/(+507) 560-0600, Ext. 5965  Email: [TLau@mici.gob.pa](mailto:TLau@mici.gob.pa)  Website: [www.mici.gob.pa](http://www.mici.gob.pa/)  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/TBT/PAN/23_0656_00_s.pdf> |