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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. Notifying Member: <u>VIET NAM</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: Vietnam Food Administration, Ministry of Health 138A Giang Vo, Ba Dinh District, Hanoi, Vietnam Tel: +(84 4) 3846 4489/ +(84 4) 3846 3702 Fax: +(84 4) 3846 3739 Email: phongtckn@gmail.com Website: http://www.vfa.gov.vn 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 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 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): Cigars, cheroots, cigarillos and cigarettes of tobacco or of tobacco substitutes (HS code(s): 2402)
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Draft National technical regulation for cigarettes; (5 page(s), in Vietnamese)
6. Description of content: This draft National technical regulation stipulates technical requirements (Maximum permissible levels of tar and nicotine in cigarettes), test methods, sampling; management requirements; and responsibilities of organizations and individuals manufacturing and trading cigarettes. This draft National technical regulation applies to organizations and individuals manufacturing and trading cigarettes in the territory of Vietnam and other relevant organizations and individuals.
7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Tobacco harm prevention; Protection of human health or safety

8. Relevant documents:

- Law on Tobacco harm prevention dated June 18, 2012;
- Law on Standards and Technical regulations dated June 29, 2006;
- Government's Decree No. 127/2007/ND-CP dated August 01, 2007 detailing the implementation of a number of articles of the Law on technical regulations and standards;
- Government's Decree No. 78/2018/ND-CP dated May 16, 2018 amending a number of Articles of the Government's Decree No. 127/2007/ND-CP dated August 01, 2007, detailing the implementation of a number of Articles of the Law on Standards and Technical Regulations;
- Government's Decree No. 95/2022/ND-CP dated November 15, 2022 defining functions, tasks, powers and organizational structure of Ministry of Health.
- Joint Circular No. 05/2013/TTLT-BYT-BCT dated February 08, 2013 guiding the labelling, printing of health warnings on tobacco packages
- Circular No. 01/2024/TT-BKHCHN dated January 18, 2024 regulating state inspection of quality of goods circulating on market
- TCVN 6679:2022 (ISO 10315:2021) Cigarettes - Determination of nicotine in total particulate matter from the mainstream smoke - Gas chromatographic method - Cigarettes
- TCVN 6680:2008 (ISO 4387:2000) Determination of total and nicotine-free dry particulate matter using a routine analytical smoking machine

9. Proposed date of adoption: 1 January 2025

Proposed date of entry into force: 12 months after adoption

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:

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