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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: EUROPEAN UNION

If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):

2. Agency responsible: European Commission

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:

European Commission EU-TBT Enquiry Point Fax: +(32) 2 299 80 43 E-mail: <u>grow-eu-tbt@ec.europa.eu</u> Website: <u>http://ec.europa.eu/growth/tools-databases/tbt/en/</u>

- 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): Children's toys, i.e. products designed or intended, whether or not exclusively, for use in play by children under 14 years of age.
- **5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Draft Commission Directive amending Appendix C to Annex II to Directive 2009/48/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council for the purpose of adopting specific limit values for chemicals used in certain toys, as regards formaldehyde. (6 page(s), in English)
- 6. **Description of content:** This draft Commission Directive aims to include, in Appendix C to Annex II to Directive 2009/48/EC, limit values for formaldehyde in polymeric toy material, resin-bonded wood toy material, textile toy material, leather toy material, paper toy material and water-based toy material.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health and safety, in particular protection of children's health against hazardous chemical substances classified as carcinogenic, mutagenic or toxic for reproduction.
- 8. Relevant documents:
 - Directive 2009/48/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 June 2009 on the safety of toys, OJ L 170, 30.6.2009, p. 1 -<u>http://eurlex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:02009L0048-20140721</u>
- Proposed date of adoption: Second quarter of 2019
 Proposed date of entry into force: Last quarter of 2020

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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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The text is available on the EU-TBT Website: <u>http://ec.europa.eu/growth/tools-</u> <u>databases/tbt/en/</u>

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