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## **Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade**

Original: English

## **NOTIFICATION<sup>1</sup>**

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1. Notifying Member: THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU

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

2. Agency responsible:

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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 [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): Pocket lighters, gas fuelled, non-refillable (HS 961310), Pocket lighters, gas fuelled, refillable (HS 961320), Other lighters (HS 961380).
- **5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Proposal for amendment to the legal inspection requirements of lighters. (2 page(s), in English; 1 page(s), in Chinese)
- **6. Description of content:** In order to enhance protection of consumers from hazards arising from unsafe lighters, the Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection (BSMI) proposes to extend the scope of lighters that are currently subject to mandatory inspection. Lighters that have a customs value or ex-factory price less than US\$2.25 (the current scope being less than FOB US\$0.7) will be required to comply with safety requirements specified in CNS 10666. The conformity assessment procedure will remain unchanged, i.e. Type-approve Batch Inspection (TABI).
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health or safety
- **8. Relevant documents:** The Commodity Inspection Act and CNS 10666

<sup>1</sup> Please note this notification was submitted to the WTO on 30 October 2017.

9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determinedProposed date of entry into force: 1 July 2018

**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:

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