NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Kingdom of Bahrain  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:**  Ministry of Industry, Commerce & Tourism  Kingdom of Bahrain P.O. Box 5479  Tel.: +973 17574881  Fax: +973 17530730 E-mail: [bsmd@moic.gov.bh](mailto:bsmd@moic.gov.bh) Website: <http://www.moic.gov.bh>  **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 [****],** **other****:** |
| **4.** | **Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):** Electronic nicotine products (cigarettes alternatives); Tobacco, tobacco products and related equipment (ICS: 65.160) |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Draft of BH.UAE Technical Regulation "Electronic nicotine products (cigarettes alternatives)" (12 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This document specifies the requirements of electronic nicotine products which are used as alternatives or traditional cigarettes including:   1. Electronic vape products which do not contain tobacco (and may or may not contain nicotine) and their refill packages, e.g. e-liquid containers 2. Heated tobacco products that contain tobacco (processed or unprocessed) which is heated by an electronic device (without combustion).   It also specifies the requirements for importing, manufacturing, packaging, displaying and handling, weights and explanatory labeling. It does not include products that are consumed through lighting and smoking with combustion or any products that contain nicotine such as nicotine patches and tobacco products that are consumed orally. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Protection of human health or safety; Protection of the environment |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**   * Draft BH.UAE Technical Regulation "Electronic nicotine products (cigarettes alternatives)" |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined  **Proposed date of entry into force:** Generally six months after publication in the Official Gazette |
| **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:**  Email: [bsmd@moic.gov.bh](mailto:bsmd@moic.gov.bh)  Website: <http://www.moic.gov.bh>  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/TBT/BHR/20_5424_00_x.pdf> |