NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **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:**  The Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection  Ministry of Economic Affairs  4, Chinan Road, Section 1  Taipei City 100, Taiwan  Tel.: (886-2) 2343-4520  Fax: (886-2) 2392-2402  E-mail: [hn.chen@bsmi.gov.tw](mailto:hn.chen@bsmi.gov.tw)  **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):** Suitcases  Trunks, suit-cases, vanity-cases, executive-cases, brief-cases, school satchels, spectacle cases, binocular cases, camera cases, musical instrument cases, gun cases, holsters and similar containers; travelling-bags, insulated food or beverage bags, toilet bags, rucksacks, handbags, shopping bags, wallets, purses, map-cases, cigarette-cases, tobacco-pouches, tool bags, sports bags, bottle-cases, jewellery boxes, powder-boxes, cutlery cases and similar containers, of leather or of composition leather, of sheeting of plastics, of textile materials, of vulcanised fibre or of paperboard, or wholly or mainly covered with such materials or with paper. (HS 4202). Leather products (ICS 59.140.35). |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Proposal for Amendment to Legal Inspection of Suitcases (1 page(s), in English; 2 page(s), in Chinese) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection is proposing to adopt the most recent version of standard, CNS 15331 "Evaluation criteria for bags, cases and trunks," published on 14 December 2018, as the inspection standard for suitcases. In this revised version, among all the changes, DMP and DEP are deleted from the scope of restricted phthalates, which reduces the number of restricted phthalates from 8 to 6 (DEHP, DBP, BBP, DINP, DIDP, and DNOP) and the sum of the total mixture of them cannot be over 0.1% (wt/wt). |
| **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, CNS 15331 |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** 1 July 2019  **Proposed date of entry into force:** 1 July 2019 |
| **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:**  WTO/TBT Enquiry Point  The Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection  Ministry of Economic Affairs 4, Chinan Road, Section 1 Taipei City 100, Taiwan Tel.: (886-2) 2343-1813 Fax: (886-2) 2343-1804 E-mail: [tbtenq@bsmi.gov.tw](mailto:tbtenq@bsmi.gov.tw)  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/TBT/TPKM/19_1136_00_x.pdf>  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/TBT/TPKM/19_1136_00_e.pdf> |