

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

TARIFFS AND TRADE

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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.4.

1. Party to Agreement notifying: <u>PHILIPPINES</u>
2. Agency responsible: Department of Trade and Industry, Bureau of Product Standards
3. Notified under Article 2.5.2 [X], 2.6.1 [], 7.3.2 [], 7.4.1 [], Other:
4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading): Cement
5. Title: Department Administrative Order No. 3, Series of 1990 - Inspection and Certification of Imported Cement (in English - 3 pages)
6. Description of content: DAO No. 3 specifies that inspection and sampling of imported cement shall be done by a recognized and independent third party certification company on two different days prior to shipment. This requirement applies if records from overseas cement manufacturers show that it has been exporting to other countries for at least six months. If the company lacks the minimum six-month export track record, sampling shall be conducted by the third-party inspection company on the actual full shipment either at the cement plant or at the port of loading.
7. Objective and rationale: Facilitate the entry of imported cement without compromising the quality of standards required for the safety and welfare of consumers
8. Relevant documents: PNS 07, ASTM C150 or BS 12/1978 Department Administrative Order No. 4, Series of 1988
9. Proposed dates of adoption and entry into force: Immediately
10. Final date for comments:
11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: