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## IMPLEMENTATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE AGREEMENT ON TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE

Communication from The Sultanate of Oman

### Addendum

The following statement under Article 15.2 of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade has been received from The Sultanate of Oman.

1. The Government of Sultanate of Oman having taken the membership of the World Trade Organization with effect from 9 November 2000, the Ministry of Commerce & Industry of the Government of Sultanate of Oman vide Ministerial Decree No. 109/2000 dated 5 September 2000, has designated the Directorate General for Specifications & Measurements (DGSM) of this Ministry as the 'National Enquiry Point' to implement the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade and to disseminate relevant information and answer reasonable inquiries to interested parties in Oman and in other Member States. The address of DGSM is as below:

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<http://www.mocioman.org>

2. DGSM has accepted the Code of Good Practice for the Preparation, Adoption and Application of Standards.

3. Information on all technical regulations and adoption of Omani Standards is published in Official Gazette of Government of Oman which can be obtained from the above Enquiry Point. Such documents and the draft standards, technical regulations, and conformity assessment procedures will also be notified to WTO, ISO/IEC Information Centre and on DGSM website.

4. A period of sixty days will normally be allowed for submission of written comments on draft standards, technical regulations and conformity assessment procedures. For certain cases this period could be reduced on considerations of urgency.

5. Necessary measures are taken and suitable arrangements are being made to facilitate that authorities preparing new/substantially amended technical regulations or conformity assessment procedures, provide information sufficiently in advance so as to provide enough time for notifications and comments.