

WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>MEXICO</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Health Agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above: Contact point
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): Drugs
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Draft Mexican Official Standard NOM-177-SSA1-1998 Establishing the Tests and Procedures for Demonstrating that a Drug is Interchangeable (20 pages, in Spanish)
6.	Description of content: The purpose of this Mexican Official Standard is to establish the criteria and requirements to be observed in conducting tests to demonstrate the interchangeability of generic drugs. The Standard is mandatory in Mexican territory for all establishments requesting the registration of interchangeable generic drugs.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Safety
8.	Relevant documents: Diario Oficial de la Federación (Official Journal) of 26 January 1999
9.	Proposed date of adoption: } Proposed date of entry into force: } To be determined
10.	Final date for comments: 28 March 1999
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, e-mail and telefax number of the other body: