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QUESTIONS AND REPLIES

The following communication, dated 7 June 2019, is being circulated at the request of the delegations of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and Panama.

This document reproduces the follow-up question addressed to Panama following the 92nd Session of the CRTA and the response submitted.

Question from the delegation of the European Union

1.1. When does Panama intend to adopt Central American Technical Regulations?

Response from the delegation of Panama

The Republic of Panama currently has around thirty-five (35) legal instruments that have been harmonized at regional level with Central America, including technical regulations and procedures.

Work continues in order to ensure progress in respect of those instruments that remain pending, on which agreement has not been reached for technical reasons; however, the Republic of Panama is making significant efforts to achieve the greatest level of regional harmonization.
