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**Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade** 

## NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 13 February 2023, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of <u>New Zealand</u>.

Title: Notification of final measures for Sunscreen (Product Safety Standard) Act

Reason for Addendum:	
[]	Comment period changed - date:
[X]	Notified measure adopted - date: 1 March 2022; The Sunscreen (Product Safety Standard) Bill 2021 was finalised in March 2022 and can be accessed here: https://www.legislation.govt.nz/bill/member/2021/0011/latest/LMS461350.html
[]	Notified measure published - date:
[X]	Notified measure enters into force - date: 1 September 2022
[X]	Text of final measure available from <sup>1</sup> :
	https://www.parliament.nz/en/pb/sc/reports/document/SCR_116106/sunscreen- product-safety-standard-bill
	https://www.legislation.govt.nz/bill/member/2021/0011/latest/LMS461350.html
[]	Notified measure withdrawn or revoked - date: Relevant symbol if measure re-notified:
[]	Content or scope of notified measure changed and text available from <sup>1</sup> : New deadline for comments (if applicable):
[]	Interpretive guidance issued and text available from <sup>1</sup> :
[]	Other:

**Description:** This retrospective notification advises that the Sunscreen (Product Safety Standard) Bill 2021 was finalized in March 2022, giving effect to proposals as notified in G/TBT/N/NZL/108. This document signaled our intention to set a mandatory product safety standard for all sunscreen products in trade in New Zealand, to be enforced under section 29 of the Fair Trading Act 1986. The Bill entered into force in September 2022.

Minor changes were made to the proposals of the consultation document, as follows:

1. The standard referenced in the Act now refers to AS/NZS 2604:2012 instead of AS/NZS 2604:2021 to better align with international standards.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This information can be provided by including a website address, a pdf attachment, or other information on where the text of the final/modified measure and/or interpretive guidance can be obtained.

2. S(b)(ii) now says 'a product that is represented as skin care', to reflect the language used to define skincare in the AS/NZS 2604:2021. This change was made to reduce confusion and minimize costs as both standards would otherwise need to be purchased for compliance purposes.