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Under paragraph C of the Code of Good Practice for the Preparation, Adoption and Application of Standards contained in Annex 3 to the WTO Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade, "Standardizing bodies that have accepted or withdrawn from this Code shall notify this fact to the ISO/IEC Information Centre in Geneva." The following notification conveyed to the Secretariat from the ISO/IEC Information Centre is being circulated for the information of Members.

NOTIFICATION UNDER PARAGRAPH C OF THE WTO TBT CODE OF GOOD PRACTICE

Notification of Acceptance

Country/Customs Territory/Regional Arrangement: <u>RWANDA</u>
Name of standardizing body: Rwanda Bureau of Standards (RBS)
Address of standardizing body: P.O. Box 7099 Kigali - Rwanda
Telephone: + 250 586103 Telefax: + 250 583305 Telex:
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Type of standardizing body: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> central governmental <input type="checkbox"/> local governmental <input type="checkbox"/> non-governmental
Scope of current and expected standardization activities: Standards development, certification, testing, standards enforcement (through inspections), metrology services, dissemination of information on standards and related document and sale of standards.
Date: 15 February 2005

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**LIST OF STANDARDIZING BODIES THAT HAVE ACCEPTED THE CODE
OF GOOD PRACTICE FOR THE PREPARATION, ADOPTION AND
APPLICATION OF STANDARDS IN 2004**

Note by the Secretariat

Addendum

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The following table contains a list of standardizing bodies, by Member, that have accepted the Code of Good Practice in the period under review. Since document G/TBT/CS/1/Add.8 (4 March 2004) was issued, five standardizing bodies from five Members have accepted the Code of Good Practice; including four central governmental standardizing bodies, and one non-governmental standardizing body.¹

No standardizing body has withdrawn from the Code during the period under review.

¹ G/TBT/CS/N/154-158. The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu issued a revision to their acceptance, contained in document G/TBT/CS/N/146/Rev.1.

**A LIST OF STANDARDIZING BODIES THAT HAVE ACCEPTED
THE CODE OF GOOD PRACTICE**

WTO Member	Name of Standardizing Body	Type of Standardizing Body	Date of Acceptance of the Code
ARMENIA	Department of Standardization, Metrology and Conformity Assessment of the Ministry of Trade and Economic Development of the Republic of Armenia	Central gov.	22 July 2003
BURKINA FASO	Direction de la Normalisation et de la Promotion de la Qualité (FASONORM)	Central gov.	8 November 2004
GUATEMALA	Guatemalan Standards Commission (COGUANOR)	Central gov.	27 August 2004
MEXICO	Centro de Normalización y certificación de Productos, A.C.	Non-gov.	8 January 2004
NICARAGUA	Ministerio de Fomento, Industria y Comercio, Dirección de Tecnología, Normalización y Metrología	Central gov.	25 March 2004

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The following table contains a list, by Member, of all standardizing bodies that have accepted the Code of Good Practice since the entry into force of the WTO. Since 1 January 1995, 147 standardizing bodies from 106 Members have accepted the Code of Good Practice, among them, 75 central governmental standardizing bodies, 63 non-governmental standardizing bodies, two statutory bodies, two parastatal bodies, three non-governmental regional bodies, one central governmental/non-governmental body, and one autonomous body.

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ALBANIA	Directorate of Standardization and Quality (DSC)	Central gov.	4 August 1997
ARGENTINA	Instituto Argentino de Normalización (IRAM)	Non-gov.	31 July 1997
ARMENIA	Department of Standardization, Metrology and Conformity Assessment of the Ministry of Trade and Economic Development	Central gov.	22 July 2003
AUSTRALIA	Standards Association of Australia (Trading as Standards Australia)	Non-gov.	20 November 1995
	Australian Communications Authority (ACA)	Central gov.	17 October 1997
	Australia Communications Industry Forum Limited (ACIF)	Non-gov.	12 February 1998
	Australia Gas Association (AGA)	Non-gov.	28 May 1998
	Australian Forestry Standard Steering Committee	Non-gov.	24 August 2001
AUSTRIA	Österreichisches Normungsinstitut – Austrian Standards Institute (ON)	Non-gov.	3 June 1996
	Österreichischer Verband für Elektrotechnik- Austrian Electrotechnical Association (ÖVE)	Non-gov.	25 July 1996
BAHRAIN	Standards and Metrology Directorate (BSMD)	Central gov.	6 September 1997
BANGLADESH	Bangladesh Standards and Testing Institution (BSTI)	Central gov.	8 January 1998
BARBADOS	Barbados National Standards Institution (BNSI)	Non-gov.	6 August 1997
BELGIUM	Belgian Standardization Institute (IBN)	Central gov.	14 July 1997
BENIN	Beninese Centre for Standardization and Quality Management (CEBENOR)	Central gov.	20 February 2002
BOLIVIA	Instituto Boliviano de Normalización y Calidad (IBNORCA)	Non-gov.	31 March 1999
BOTSWANA	Botswana Bureau of Standards (BOBS)	Non-gov.	17 August 1999
BRAZIL	Associação Brasileira de Normas Técnicas (ABNT)	Non-gov.	31 July 1995

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BULGARIA	Committee for Standardization and Metrology (BDS)	Central gov.	30 December 1996
BURKINA FASO	Direction de la Normalisation et de la Promotion de la Qualité (FASONORM)	Central gov.	8 November 2004
CANADA	Standards Council of Canada (SCC)	Central gov.	23 September 1999
CHILE	Instituto Nacional de Normalización - National Standardization Institute (INN)	Central gov.	20 September 1995
CHINA	State Administration of China for Standardization (SACS)	Central gov.	4 April 2002
COLOMBIA	Instituto Colombiano de Normas Técnicas (ICONTEC)	Non-gov.	31 July 1995
COSTA RICA	Instituto de Normas Técnicas de Costa Rica (INTECO)	Non-gov.	19 December 1997
CÔTE D'IVOIRE	Côte d'Ivoire Normalisation (CODINORM)	Non-gov.	19 November 2001
CROATIA	State Office for Standardization and Metrology (DZNM)	Central gov.	28 October 1998
CUBA	Oficina Nacional de Normalización – Cuban National Bureau of Standards (NC)	Central gov.	29 February 1996
CZECH REPUBLIC	Czech Standards Institute (CSNI)	Non-gov.	CSNI took over from COSMT in March 1998 (COSMT had accepted the Code on 3 July 1995)
DENMARK	Danish Standards Association (DS)	Non-gov.	18 March 1996
DOMINICA	Dominica Bureau of Standards (DBOS)	Central gov.	13 September 2000
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	Dirección General de Normas y Sistemas de Calidad (DIGENOR)	Central gov.	18 December 1997
ECUADOR	Instituto Ecuatoriano de Normalización (INEN)	Central gov.	24 June 1996
EGYPT	Egyptian Organization for Standardization and Quality Control (EOS)	Central gov.	12 June 1995
EL SALVADOR	Consejo Nacional de Ciencia y Tecnología – National Council of Science and Technology (CONACYT)	Central gov.	27 November 1996

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ESTONIA	National Standards Board of Estonia (EVS)	Central gov.	30 July 1997
EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES	European Telecommunications Standards Institute (ETSI)	Non-gov. regional	21 January 1996
	European Committee for Electrotechnical Standardization (CENELEC) ¹	Non-gov. regional	10 July 1996
	European Committee for Standardization (CEN) ²	Non-gov. regional	25 April 1996
FINLAND	Finnish Standards Association (SFS)	Non-gov.	3 November 1995
FRANCE	Association française de normalisation (AFNOR)	Non-gov.	25 October 1995
GERMANY	Deutsches Institut für Normung e.V. (DIN)	Non-gov.	14 March 1995
GEORGIA	State Department for Standardization, Metrology and Certification of Georgia (GEOSTAND)	Central gov.	24 November 2003
GHANA	Ghana Standards Board (GSB)	Central gov.	15 May 2002
GREECE	Hellenic Organization for Standardization (ELOT)	Non-gov.	21 November 1997
GRENADA	Grenada Bureau of Standards (GDBS)	Central gov.	15 August 1997
GUATEMALA	Guatemalan Standards Commission (COGUANOR)	Central gov.	27 August 2004
GUYANA	Guyana National Bureau of Standards (GNBS)	Central gov.	23 July 1997
HONG KONG, CHINA	Transport Department of the Government of the HKSAR	Central gov.	28 November 1997
	Office of the Telecommunications Authority	Central gov.	17 December 1997
	Highways Department of the Government of the HKSAR	Central gov.	19 December 1997
	Works Bureau of the Government of HKSAR	Central gov.	10 February 1998
	Electrical and Mechanical Services Department of the Government of the HKSAR	Central gov.	31 March 1998

¹ Western Europe

² Western European countries (EU and EFTA countries)

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HUNGARY	Hungarian Office for Standardization (MSZH)	Central gov.	4 August 1995
ICELAND	Icelandic Council for Standardization (STRI)	Non-gov.	11 June 1997
INDIA	Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS)	Statutory	19 December 1995
INDONESIA	Badan Standardisasi Nasional (BSN)	Central gov./ non-gov.	18 October 1995
IRELAND	National Standards Authority of Ireland (NSAI)	Central gov.	3 July 1998
ISRAEL	Standards Institution of Israel (SII)	Non-gov.	14 May 1997
ITALY	Ente Nazionale Italiano di Unificazione – Italian National Standards Body (UNI)	Non-gov.	7 September 1995
	Italian Electrotechnical Committee (CEI)	Non-gov.	17 October 1995
JAMAICA	Jamaica Bureau of Standards (JBS)	Central gov.	12 April 1996
JAPAN	Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries	Central gov.	24 April 1996
	Fair Trade Commission	Central gov.	25 April 1996
	Ministry of International Trade and Industry	Central gov.	7 May 1996
	Japanese Industrial Standards Committee (JISC)	Central gov.	25 June 1996
	Japan Environment Association (JEA)	Non-gov.	10 July 1997
	Japan Iron and Steel Federation (JISF)	Non-gov.	2 December 1997
	Consumer Product Safety Association (CPSA)	Non-gov.	2 March 1998
	Japan Construction Mechanization Association (JCMA)	Non-gov.	16 December 1998
	Japan Marine Standards Association (JMSA)	Non-gov.	8 February 1999
	The Japan Bearing Industrial Association (JBIA)	Non-gov.	21 September 2000
	Society of Automotive Engineers of Japan, Inc. (JASO)	Non-gov.	5 October 2000
	The Japan Society of Mechanical Engineers (JSME)	Non-gov.	27 December 2000

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JORDAN	Jordan Institution for Standards and Metrology (JISM)	Central gov.	22 May 2000
KENYA	Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS)	Parastatal	22 November 1995
KOREA	Korean Agency for Technology and Standards (KATS)	Central gov.	24 December 1998
	Korea Electric Association (KEA)	Non-gov.	28 December 2001
KUWAIT	Standards & Metrology Department (KOWSMD)	Central gov.	29 October 2002
KYRGYZ REPUBLIC	State Inspection on Standardization and Metrology under the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic (KYRGYZST)	Central gov.	11 August 2000
LATVIA	Latvian National Centre of Standardization and Metrology	Central gov.	18 July 1997
LITHUANIA	Lithuanian Standards Board (LST)	Central gov.	2 April 1999
LUXEMBOURG	Service de l'energie de l'état (SEE)	Central gov.	29 June 1998
MALAWI	Malawi Bureau of Standards (MSB)	Parastatal	25 November 1996
MALAYSIA	Department of Standards Malaysia (DSM)	Central gov.	25 July 1995
MALTA	Malta Standards Authority (MSA)	Non-gov.	26 January 2001
MAURITIUS	Mauritius Standards Bureau (MSB)	Non-gov.	17 January 2000
MEXICO	Directorate-General of Standards of the Ministry of Trade and Industrial Development (DGN)	Central gov.	30 May 1997
	National Standardizing and Certifying Association for the Electrical Sector, A.C.	Non-gov.	3 May 1999
	National Standardizing and Certifying Association for the Construction Sector, S.C. (ONNCCE)	Non-gov.	23 April 1999
	Mexican Standardizing and Certifying Company S.C. (NORMEX)	Non-gov.	3 May 1999
	National Textile Standardizing Institute A.C. (INTEX)	Non-gov.	1 September 1999
	Electronic Standardization and Certification, A.C. (NYCE)	Non-gov.	5 July 1999

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MEXICO	Mexican Institute for Standardization and Certification, A.C.	Non-gov.	25 April 2000
	Consejo para el Fomento de la Calidad de la Leche y sus derivados A.C.	Non-gov	13 March 2003
	Centro de Normalización y Certificación de Productos, A.C.	Non-gov.	8 January 2004
MOLDOVA	Department of Standards, Metrology and Technical Supervision (MOLDST)	Central gov.	25 July 1997
MONGOLIA	Mongolian National Centre for Standardization and Metrology (MNCSM)	Central gov.	March 1997
MOROCCO	Service de Normalisation Industrielle Marocaine - Moroccan Industrial Standardization Service (SNIMA)	Central gov.	21 July 1997
MOZAMBIQUE	Instituto Nacional de Normalização e Qualidade - National Institute of Standardization and Quality (INNOQ)	Non-gov.	27 June 1997
NAMIBIA	Namibia Standards Information and Quality Office (NSIQO)	Central gov.	5 July 2000
NETHERLANDS	Dutch Standardization Institute (NEN)	Non-gov.	1 February 1996
NEW ZEALAND	Standards New Zealand (SNZ)	Non-gov.	20 June 1995
	Environment Choice New Zealand (on behalf of Ministry of Environment)	Central gov.	20 November 1997
NICARAGUA	Nicaraguan Institute of Water and Sewage Systems (INAA)	Central gov.	18 June 2001
	Nicaraguan Energy Institute (INE)	Central gov.	21 June 2001
	Ministerio de Fomento, Industria y Comercio, Dirección de Tecnología, Normalización y Metrología	Central gov.	25 March 2004
NORWAY	Norges Standardiseringsforbund (NSF)	Non-gov.	7 May 1996
	Norsk Electroteknisk Komite – Norwegian Electrotechnical Committee (NEK)	Non-gov.	10 July 1997

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OMAN	Directorate General for Specifications and Measurements, Ministry of Commerce and Industry (DGSM)	Central gov.	18 December 2000
PAKISTAN	Pakistan Standards Institute (PSI)	Autonomous body	February 1998
PANAMA	Ministry of Trade and Industry (MICI), Directorate-General for Industrial Standards and Technology (DGNTI)	Central gov.	27 March 1998
PARAGUAY	Instituto Nacional de Tecnología y Normalización	Central gov.	3 April 2003
PERU	Comisión de Reglamentos Técnicos y Comerciales - Instituto de Defensa de la Competencia y de la Propiedad Intelectual (INDECOPI)	Central gov.	8 June 1995
PHILIPPINES	Bureau of Product Standards (BPS)	Central gov.	8 March 1995
POLAND	Polski Komitet Normalizacyjny - Polish Committee for Standardization (PKN)	Non-gov.	1 August 1996
PORTUGAL	Instituto Portugues Da Qualidade (IPQ)	Central gov.	19 June 1998
ROMANIA	Institutul Roman de Standardizare - Romanian Standards Institute (ASRO)	Central gov.	19 April 1995
SAINT LUCIA	St. Lucia Bureau of Standards (SLBS)	Central gov.	29 October 2001
SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES	St. Vincent and the Grenadines Bureau of Standards	Central gov.	25 September 2002
SENEGAL	Institut Sénégalais de Normalisation (ISN) - Ministère de l'Energie, des Mines et de l'Industrie	Central gov.	31 December 1995
SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU	The Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection (BSMI)	Central gov.	29 July 2002
SINGAPORE	Singapore Institute of Standards and Industrial Research (SISIR)	Central gov.	2 March 1995

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SLOVAK REPUBLIC	Slovak Office of Standards, Metrology and Testing (UNMS SR)	Central gov.	12 September 1995
	Slovak Standards Institute (SUTN)	Central gov.	14 May 2001
SLOVENIA	Slovenian Institute for Standardization (SIST)	Non-gov.	23 July 2002
SOUTH AFRICA	South African Bureau of Standards (SABS)	Non-gov.	14 April 1995
SPAIN	Asociación Española de Normalización y Certificación - Spanish Standardization and Certification Association (AENOR)	Non-gov.	20 May 1996
SRI LANKA	Sri Lanka Standards Institution (SLSI)	Central gov.	15 July 1997
SWEDEN	Informationstekniska standardiseringsen - Swedish Information Technology Standardization (ITS)	Non-gov.	19 July 1996
	Svenska Elektriska Kommissionen - Swedish Electrotechnical Commission (SEK)	Non-gov.	9 September 1996
	Swedish Standards Institution (SIS)	Non-gov.	18 December 2002
SWITZERLAND	Swiss Electrotechnical Committee (CES)	Non-gov.	22 November 1995
	Pro Telecom, Association Suisse des Télécommunications	Non-gov.	13 December 1995
	Schweizerische Normen-Vereinigung - Swiss Association for Standardization (SNV)	Non-gov.	12 February 1996
TANZANIA	Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS)	Central gov.	11 August 1997
THAILAND	Thai Industrial Standards Institute (TISI)	Central gov.	31 October 1995
TRINIDAD and TOBAGO	Trinidad and Tobago Bureau of Standards (TTBS)	Central gov.	25 March 1996
TUNISIA	National Standardization and Industrial Property Institute (INNORPI)	Central gov.	2 June 1995
TURKEY	Türk Standardlari Enstitüsü – Turkish Standards Institution (TSE)	Non-gov.	6 March 1996
UGANDA	Uganda National Bureau of Standards (UNBS)	Central gov.	30 July 1997

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UNITED KINGDOM	British Standards Institution (BSI)	Non-gov.	11 March 1997
UNITED STATES	American National Standards Institute, Inc. (ANSI)	Non-gov.	29 September 1997
URUGUAY	Instituto Uruguayo de Normas Técnicas (UNIT)	Non-gov.	12 September 1997
VENEZUELA	Comisión Venezolana de Normas Industriales - Venezuelan Commission for Industrial Standards (COVENIN)	Central gov.	14 May 1996
ZAMBIA	Zambia Bureau of Standards	Statutory body	28 July 1998
ZIMBABWE	Standards Association of Zimbabwe (SAZ)	Non-gov.	10 January 1996
