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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1. Notifying Member: <u>CZECH REPUBLIC</u>
If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):

2. Agency responsible: State Office for Nuclear Safety

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- 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):
 - Packaging for transport, storage or disposal of radioactive or fissile material
 - Special-form radioactive material and low-dispersible radioactive material subject to type approval
 - Radioactive or fissile materials subject a transport license

Fissile materials and nuclear fuel technology (ICS: 27.120.30), Other standards related to nuclear energy (ICS: 27.120.99)

- **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Draft implementing decree concerning the type approval of some products in the field of peaceful utilization of nuclear energy and ionising radiation and the transport of radioactive or fissile material (100 pages, in English; 101 pages, in Czech)
- **6. Description of content:** The draft implementing decree, based on the authorising provisions under the new Atomic Act, stipulates the following, in particular:
 - rules for specifying radioactive or fissile materials subject to a transport license, their classification and requirements they must meet
 - technical requirements for specifying packaging for the transport of radioactive or fissile materials and the requirements imposed on them
 - requirements regarding the content of documentation for the transport license of a radioactive or fissile material
 - technical and organisational conditions of transport and shipping of a radioactive or fissile material
 - requirements regarding the content, language and availability of documentation required for the transport and shipping of a radioactive or fissile material
 - the manner of marking, appearance and manner of use of safety labels for labelling a radioactive package, vehicle used for its transport and the freight container

 type approval of packaging for the transport, storage or disposal of radioactive or fissile materials, type approval of a special-form radioactive material and a lowdispersible radioactive material

The draft of the new Atomic Act contains a mutual recognition clause.

- **7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** In connection with the adoption of the new Atomic Act, further details relating to the transport of radioactive or fissile materials and type approval of selected products need to be laid down. The area in question is currently governed, in particular, by Implementing Decree No 317/2002, as amended. However, this implementing decree will be repealed by the new Atomic Act. In response to international developments, the notified draft updates and aligns the requirements of the current Implementing Decree No 317/2002 with international regulations (IAEA recommendation SSR-6). Based on experience from application of the current implementing decree, this draft eliminates inconsistencies and problems identified in practice.
- **8. Relevant documents:** This draft contains following reference to International Legislation:
 - Regarding point 3(c) of Part I and point 11(b) of Part II of Annex 1: the text refers to ISO 9978:1992 (E) Radiation protection – Sealed radioactive sources – Leakage test methods, International Organization for Standardization, Geneva, 15.2.1992.
 - Regarding points 26(b), 27(b) and 30(b) of Part I of Annex 1: the text refers to the UN Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods Model Regulations, rev. 17, (ST/SG/AC.10/1/17), UN, 2
 - Regarding point 29(c) of Part I of Annex 1: the text refers to ISO 1496:1990(E)
 Series 1 Freight containers Specification and testing Part 1: General cargo containers for general purposes, International Organization for Standardization, Geneva, 15.8.1990.
 - Regarding points 31, 32(a) and 34(a) of Part I of Annex 1: the text refers to ISO 7195:2005(E) Nuclear energy Packaging of uranium hexafluoride (UF6) for transport, International Organization for Standardization, Geneva, 1.9.2005.
 - Regarding point 9(a) and (b) of Part II of Annex 1: the text refers to ISO 2919:2012(E) Radiological protection Sealed radioactive sources General requirements and classification, International Organization for Standardization, Geneva, 14.2.2012.
- **9. Proposed date of adoption:** Derived from the date of adoption of the new Atomic Act (which is the law authorizing the adoption of the Decree in question), estimated date: from 4 to 5 months following the notification

Proposed date of entry into force: Derived from the date of entry into force of the new Atomic Act; estimated date: 1 January 2017

- **10. Final date for comments:** 60 days from notification
- 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

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