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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

1. Member to Agreement notifying: <u>BRAZIL</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: National Institute of Metrology, Quality and Technology – INMETRO Telephone: +(55) 21 2563.2840 Telefax: +(55) 21 25635637 Email: barreirastecnicas@inmetro.gov.br Web-site: www.inmetro.gov.br/barreirastecnicas Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:
3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [X], 5.7.1 [], other:
4. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Matches (HS 3605).
5. Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Ministerial Act (Draft Resolution) N° 440, 27 th August 2012 (Portaria Inmetro N° 440, de 27 de Agosto de 2012) (12 pages in Portuguese).
6. Description of content: Conformity assessment procedures for Safety Matches with a focus on safety, through the establishment of a mandatory certification carried out by an accredited body, in order to prevent consumer's accidents.
7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human safety.
8. Relevant documents: (1) Brazilian Official Journal (Diário Oficial da União) N° 167, 28 August 2012, section 1, page 46, (2) Ministerial Act: N° 404, 1 st August 2012; (3) Brazilian Official Journal (Diário Oficial da União); (4) ABNT NBR 5426.
9. Proposed date of adoption: Upon publication in the Official Journal after received comments have been taken into. Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined in the final text.
10. Final date for comments: 27 September 2012

- 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body:**

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