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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

- 1. Member to Agreement notifying: <u>MALAYSIA</u>
 If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
- 2. Agency responsible:

National Pharmaceutical Control Bureau Ministry of Health Jalan Universiti, Peti surat 319 46730 Petaling Jaya Selangor

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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 [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): Pharmaceutical and Healthcare Products (ICS: 11.120.10)
- **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Amendment to the "Drug Registration Guidance Document", National Pharmaceutical Control Bureau, Ministry of Health Malaysia, April 2004 (33 pages, in English and Malay).

Appendix 1 is amended to include provision for product authentication by means of a security device.

- **6. Description of content:** The amendment prescribes the mandatory requirement for the use of a hologram security device on medicinal products sold in Malaysia. It is applicable to all pharmaceutical and traditional products, locally manufactured or imported.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:
 - Protection of health and safety
 - Prevention of deceptive practices

8. Relevant documents:

- (i) Drug Registration Guidance Document, National Pharmaceutical Control Bureau, Ministry of Health Malaysia, April 2004
- (ii) Sales of Drugs Act (Act 368) 1952 (Revised 1989)
- (iii) Control of Drugs and Cosmetics Regulations 1984
- (iv) Directive on the Use of the Hologram Security Devise (Meditag TM)
- **9. Proposed date of adoption:** 5 August 2004

Proposed date of entry into force: 1 May 2005

- **10. Final date for comments:** 60 days from date of notification
- 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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