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ECE STANDARDIZATION LIST

This paper contains some proposals from organizations and national delegations on the revision of the ECE Standardization List.

It is recalled that a summary of other proposals and submissions on the ECE Standardization List made at the ninth session of the Working Party in May 1999 and prior to the current tenth session are contained in document TRADE/WP.6/2000/6 and also in document TRADE/WP.6/2000/7.

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List of the priority work directions in interstate standardization for 1998-2002

*(as adopted and confirmed at the meeting of the CIS Interstate Council for Standardization,
Metrology and Certification, 6-8 October 2000, Lvov, Ukraine)*

The improvement of CIS interstate standards is made on the basis of their harmonization with international and regional standards and other international documents concerning standardization and metrology. This improvement is being undertaken to implement the requirements of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade of the World Trade Organization and it is being carried out, to begin with, through the following priority activities:

1. Ensuring products' and services' safety for environment, life, health and property and the improvement of their competitiveness in world and regional markets. These products include: compact domestic electrical and electronical appliances, medical equipment for home use, equipment for handicapped persons, goods for children, perfume and cosmetic goods.
2. Establishing standards on environmental management.
3. Providing technical and informational compatibility and interchangeability of goods; providing for the transition to new information technologies.
4. Providing for the safety of economic activities while taking into consideration the risks of natural and technological catastrophes and other emergency situations.
5. Creation of standards in the service sector (tourism, medical and hospital services, banking, insurance, trade, catering and domestic services).
6. Standardization of methods of quality and safety control for food products and the environment.
7. Creation of standards on resource and energy conservation.
8. Standardization of the quality of petroleum products and of their test methods.
9. Transport, communications and telecommunications.

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Letter from Kazakhstan No 9-1/1856 of 8 September 2000 concerning “Recommendations on Standardization Policies” and “ECE Standardization List”.

The Committee for Standardization, Metrology and Certification of the Ministry of Energy, Industry and Certification of the Republic of Kazakhstan sends herewith its suggestions:

- In UN/ECE Recommendation on Standardization Policies on “Coordination” (Recommendation "B") the following should be included:

“The Governments of the countries must ensure participation of their plenipotentiary representatives in the most important conferences of the international organizations (Assemblies, General Conferences), to which these countries are members (participants)”.

- In UN/ECE Standardization List, chapter 12, “Energy”, the following should be included:

“Clean petroleum products and gaseous fuels technologies with inclusion criteria B,C,D (B – ecology, C – energy efficiency, D –criteria for elimination of technical obstacles to trade)”.

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