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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>SWITZERLAND</u>

If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):

2. Agency responsible:

Federal Office of Communications

Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:

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- 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], 3.2 [], 7.2 [], other:
- 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Telecommunication equipment, radio equipment and telecommunication terminal equipment (Mobile phones 33.050 and 35.180, tablets 33.050 and 35.180, headphones 33.120, headsets 33.120, digital cameras 37.040 and 35.180, portable speakers 33.120, handheld video game consoles 35.180 and 97.200, e-readers 33.050 and 35.020, keyboards 35.020, mice 35.020, portable navigation systems 43.040 and 33.070, earbuds 33.120, and laptops 35.020)
- **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Revision of the Ordinance on telecommunications installations (OIT) and of the Ordinance of the Swiss Federal Office of Communications on telecommunications installations (OOIT); (12 page(s), in French), (12 page(s), in German), (12 page(s), in Italian)
- **Description of content:** The Ordinance on telecommunications installations (OIT) and the Ordinance of the Swiss Federal Office of Communications on telecommunications installations (OOIT) specify the basic technical requirements with regard to telecommunications installations.

The revision of the OIT and OOIT harmonises Swiss law with Directive (EU) 2022/2380. It introduces a common receptacle and charging technology for a broad range of categories of radio equipment. It also concerns the introduction of information requirements for manufacturers regarding the charging characteristics of the device, and mandates manufacturers to, at least, offer an unbundled version of their electronic devices (meaning to sell the equipment unbundled without the External Power Supply or propose both options bundled and unbundled).

Furthermore, this revision clarifies the rules for making available on the market of radio equipment intended to be used exclusively by authorities for state security.

7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: National security requirements; Consumer information, labelling; Protection of the environment; Harmonization; Reducing trade barriers and facilitating trade

8. **Relevant documents:**

Ordinance of 25th November 2015 on telecommunications installations (OIT; RS 784.101.2), available in RS 784.101.2 - French, German, and Italian.

Ordinance of 26th May 2016 of the Swiss Federal Office of Communications on telecommunications installations (OOIT; RS 784.101.21), available in French, German and Italian.

Directive (EU) 2022/2380 of 23 November 2022 amending Directive 2014/53/EU on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to the making available on the market of radio equipment

9. Proposed date of adoption: 15 November 2023

Proposed date of entry into force: 1 January 2024

- 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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