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## **Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade**

## **NOTIFICATION**

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

Notifying Member: <u>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</u>
If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):

## 2. Agency responsible:

National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC) [2035]

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:

Please submit comments to: USA WTO TBT Enquiry Point, Email: usatbtep@nist.gov

- 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [ ], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], 3.2 [ ], 7.2 [ ], other [X]: Sharing publication concerning U.S. engagement in international standards development in areas of critical and emerging technology (CET).
- 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Technical Standards Development
- **5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** National Standards Strategy for Critical and Emerging Technology; (14 page(s), in English)
- **Description of content:** This strategy outlines how the U.S. Government will strengthen U.S. leadership and competitiveness in international standards development and ensure that the development of standards in critical and emerging technologies (CET) embrace transparency, openness, impartiality and consensus, effectiveness and relevance, coherence, and broad participation.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: To renew the United States' rules-based approach to standards development; encourage long-term investments in standards development; address gaps and bolster U.S. participation in critical and emerging technologies (CET) standards development activities; ensure that international standards are established based on technical merit through fair processes that promote broad international participation

## 8. Relevant documents:

National Standards Strategy for Critical and Emerging Technology (USSCET): <a href="https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/US-Gov-National-Standards-Strategy-2023.pdf">https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/US-Gov-National-Standards-Strategy-2023.pdf</a>

Fact Sheet Announcing the USSCET: <a href="https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2023/05/04/fact-sheet-biden-harris-administration-announces-national-standards-strategy-for-critical-and-emerging-technology/">https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2023/05/04/fact-sheet-biden-harris-administration-announces-national-standards-strategy-for-critical-and-emerging-technology/</a>

The <u>Standards Information Center</u> will provide resources as well as the opportunity for stakeholders to share their input; visit <a href="https://www.nist.gov/standardsgov/usg-nss">https://www.nist.gov/standardsgov/usg-nss</a> for further information

9. Proposed date of adoption: 5 May 2023

**Proposed date of entry into force:** 5 May 2023

10. Final date for comments: N/A

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [ ] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

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