

**REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA**  
**COUNCIL OF MINISTERS**

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**DECREE**

NR....., date.....1999

**FOR**  
**THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION FOR STANDARDS AND TECHICAL**  
**REGULATIONS**

Based on the article 17 of the Law NR. 8464, dated 11.03.1999, "On Standardization", following the proposal of the Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Trade, the Council of Ministers:

**DECIDE:**

1. The Information and Sales Center of the General Directorate of Standardization, (GDS) is appointed as Enquiry Point for technical regulation and standards, in framework of membership in the WTO
2. GDS, ensure that this enquiry point answer to all reasonable enquiry's from other members and interested parties in other members, as well provide the relevant documents regarding:
  - Any technical regulations adopted or proposed, within our territory by ministries and other central public institutions, in fields under their responsibilities;
  - Any standards adopted or proposed, within our territory by the GDS and Office for Telecommunications Regulations or by regional standardizing bodies of which such organizations are members or participants;
  - Any conformity assessment procedures, or proposed conformity assessment procedures, which are operated within our territory by ministries or central public institutions, or by regional bodies of which such organizations are member or participants;
  - The membership and participation of ministries or central public institution within our territory, in international and regional standardizing bodies and conformity assessment systems, as well as in bilateral and multilateral arrangements within the scope of WTO TBT Agreement; it provide also information's on provisions of such systems and arrangements;
  - The location of notices published pursuant the TBT Agreement, or provision of information as to where such information can be obtained.
3. Upon request the enquiry pint provide copy of documentation's ministries and other institutions members of WTO as well as interested parties from member states, at an

equitable price apart the real cost of delivery. The price are the same for national or foreign natural or legal persons.

4. The notifications to the WTO secretariat, member states and individual legal or natural subjects, shall be in English.
5. Whenever the government or a ministry or central public institution, has reached an agreement with any other country or countries on issues related to technical regulations, standards or conformity assessment procedures which may have significant effect on trade, the enquiry point inform the WTO secretariat and the other members including a brief description on the products to be covered by the agreement.
6. Ministries and the other central public institutions, give all necessary information's or documents to the enquiry point. For those requested by GDS they replay after 15 days following the request, as maximum time limit.
7. This decree comes into force 15 days following its publication in the Official Journal

PRIME MINISTER

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