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<u>Sub: TBT notification issued by Sri Lanka on import inspection</u> <u>scheme</u>

Dear Member,

This has reference to TBT notification no G/TBT/N/LKA/36 dated 28th May 2018, issued by the Sri Lanka Standards Institution wherein they have issued a compulsory import inspection scheme.

Please <u>click here</u> for the notification.

Please **click here** for the regulation 1 and 2.

The cotton sewing thread (HS 520411, 520419, 520420) and spun polyester sewing thread (HS 550810, 550820) have been included in this regulation.

The brief of the regulation is given below:

- Under this Compulsory Import Inspection Scheme, importers are not permitted to import to Sri Lanka the 122 products specified in this regulation unless they conform to the relevant Sri Lanka Standards.
- Every importer shall furnish periodically regarding the product imported
 to the Director General of the Sri Lanka Standards Institution a certificate
 of compliance with the Sri Lanka Standard stipulated for that article,
 issued by a laboratory in the exporting country. The certificate should be
 either accredited by a recognized accreditation body or recognized by
 the Sri Lanka Standards Institution.
- Every importer who imports any article set out in the Schedules shall

(before Customs Clearance) make available to the Director General of Sri Lanka Customs and the Director General of Sri Lanka Standards Institution, all documents relating to the articles and such samples from each consignment as may be required by them.

- The article (s) covered under these Regulations shall be assessed for conformity to Sri Lanka Standards on the basis of relevant conformity assessment procedures and guidelines, laid down by the Director General of the Sri Lanka Standards Institution.
- No importer shall sell, offer for sale, use or distribute articles covered under these Regulations unless approval is granted to them to do so, by the Director General of the Sri Lanka Standards Institution.
- Where the articles are found to be not conforming to the Sri Lanka standards specified in the Schedules 1(A) and 1(B), the Director General of the Sri Lanka Standards Institution shall have the authority to permit such items to be reprocessed under supervision to meet the prescribed Sri Lanka standards or to permit the importer to return the consignment to the seller in the exporting country or to order disposal of such items in an appropriate manner in consultation with the Controller General of Department of Import and Exports Control, Director General of Sri Lanka Customs and Managing Director of Sri Lanka Ports Authority.

Kindly forward your comments or suggestions to the Council at info@texprocil.org latest by 22nd June 2018.

Regards,

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