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New Draft Amendments to CU TR on Safety of Fat and Oil Products

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Report Highlights:

On January 8, 2014, Russia notified the World Trade Organization (WTO) of draft amendments to the Russia-Kazakhstan-Belarus Customs Union's Technical Regulation "On Safety of Fat and Oil Products" via WTO notification [G/TBT/N/RUS/32](#). There is a public comment period starting December 6, 2013, and ending February 27, 2014. Interested U.S. parties are encouraged to share their comments and concerns with the U.S. government (National Institute of Standards and Technology) at ncsci@nist.gov.

General Information:

On December 6, 2013, the Eurasian Economic Commission (EEC), which is the regulatory body of the Russian-Kazakhstan-Belarus Customs Union (CU), published the following draft document on its web-site:

- [Draft Amendments to the CU Technical Regulation on Fat and Oil Products \(TR TS 024/2011\)](#).

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The unofficial English translation of the above referenced draft amendments can be found below.

These are the second in 2013 draft amendments to the CU Technical Regulation on the Safety of Fat and Oil Products published for comments. The first Draft Amendments were published for comments on April 29, 2013, and the comment period ended on June 30, 2013. FAS/Moscow reported on that draft in [Draft Amendments to the CU Technical regulation on Fat and Oil Products 5-8-2013.pdf](#). So far the draft amendments dated back April 29, 2013, have not been adopted by the EEC. For translation of the original CU Technical Regulation on Safety of Fat and Oil Products (TR TS 024/2011) adopted by the CU Commission Decision No. 883 of December 9, 2011, and in effect since July 1, 2013, please see FAS/Moscow report [Customs Union Technical Regulation on Fat and Oil Products 4-26-2013.pdf](#)

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Attachment
to the Decision of the Council
of the Eurasian Economic Commission
No. __ of “__” _____ 2013

Amendments
to the Technical Regulation of the Customs Union
“Technical Regulation on Fat and Oil Products” (TR CU 024/2011)

Item 5 of Article 3, Chapter 2 of the Technical Regulation to read as follows:

“5) Modification of vegetable oils and (or) fats (excluding genetically engineered modification) is chemical, biochemical or physical modification of vegetable oils and (or) fats by means of hydrogenation, trans-esterification or their combination;”.

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