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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1. Notifying Member: <u>NICARAGUA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: <i>Ministerio de Transporte e Infraestructura, MTI (Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure)</i> <i>Dirección General de Normas de Construcción y Desarrollo Urbano (General Directorate of Standards for Construction and Urban Development)</i> Managua, Nicaragua Tel.: +(505) 2222 7221 Email: oscar.escobar@mti.gob.ni ; evert.rivera@mti.gob.ni 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: Ministerio de Fomento; Industria y Comercio Km 6 Carretera a Masaya Managua, Nicaragua Tel.: +(505) 2248 9300, Ext. 1310, 1313 or 1314 Email: imartinez@mific.gob.ni ; notificacion@mific.gob.ni ; normalizacion@mific.gob.ni Website: http://www.mific.gob.ni/en-us/snc/snn/ntcpub/ntoncpub.aspx
3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other:
4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): ICS number: 77.140.15
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: <i>NTON 12 014 - 17 Materiales de Construcción. Barras y Alambres de acero de refuerzo para el Concreto. Especificaciones y Evaluación de la Conformidad (Nicaraguan Mandatory Technical Standard (NTON) No. 12 014 - 17 Construction materials. Steel bars and wire for concrete reinforcement. Specifications and conformity assessment) (13 pages, in Spanish)</i>

6. Description of content: The notified text establishes the physical, chemical and mechanical requirements to be met by steel bars and wire used for reinforcing concrete, and the relevant conformity assessment procedures, including sampling and test methods.

It applies to steel bars and wire for concrete reinforcement that are manufactured in, imported into or marketed in Nicaragua.

<u>Description</u>	<u>HS Line</u>
Plain and deformed carbon-steel bars	72.13.10.00.00
	72.14.20.00.00
Plain and deformed low-alloy steel bars	72.13.10.00.00
	72.14.20.00.00
Deformed carbon-steel wire	72.15.50.00.10
	72.15.90.00.10

7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Consumer protection

8. Relevant documents:

- ASTM A 615/A615 "Standard Specification for Deformed and Plain Carbon-Steel Bars for Concrete Reinforcement"
- ASTM A706/A 706 "Standard Specification for Low-Alloy Steel Deformed and Plain Bars for Concrete Reinforcement"
- ASTM A1064/A1064 "Standard Specification for Carbon-Steel Wire and Welded Wire Reinforcement, Plain and Deformed, for Concrete"
- ASTM A370 "Standard Test Methods and Definitions for Mechanical Testing of Steel Products"
- ASTM E83 "Standard Practice for Verification and Classification of Extensometer Systems"
- *Norma Técnica Nicaragüense (NTN) No. 04 001 - 05/ISO 17025 Evaluación de la Conformidad. Requisitos generales para la competencia de los laboratorios de ensayos y de Calibración* (Nicaraguan Technical Standard (NTN) No. 04 001 - 05/ISO 17025 Conformity Assessment. General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories)

9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determined.

Proposed date of entry into force: Six months after publication in Official Journal *La Gaceta*.

10. Final date for comments: 30 days from the date of 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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