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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. Member to Agreement notifying: <u>MEXICO</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: <i>Secretaría del Trabajo y Previsión Social (Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare)</i> Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above: <i>Comité Consultivo Nacional de Normalización de Seguridad y Salud en el Trabajo (National Advisory Committee on Standardization for Occupational Safety and Health)</i> <i>Avenida Periférico Sur 4271, edificio "A", nivel 5</i> <i>Colonia Fuentes del Pedregal, Delegación Tlalpan</i> <i>Código postal 14149, México, D.F.</i> <i>Tel.: 3000-2100, Ext. 2241</i> <i>Fax: 3000-2217</i> <i>E-mail: dgsst@stps.gob.mx</i> <i>Website: http://www.stps.gob.mx/</i>
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): Safety helmets
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: <i>PROY-NOM-115-STPS-2009, Seguridad-Equipo de protección personal-Cascos de protección industrial - Clasificación, especificaciones y métodos de prueba (Draft Mexican Official Standard PROY-NOM-115-STPS-2009, Safety - Personal protective equipment - Industrial safety helmets - Classification, specifications and test methods) (20 pages, in Spanish).</i>
6. Description of content: The notified text sets forth the minimum requirements for industrial safety helmets marketed in Mexico. These requirements cover two main aspects: the functional nature of the helmets and their protective characteristics. The requirements relating to the first aspect concern the product's basic function as an item in daily use, while those relating to the second aspect aim to ensure that users receive the best possible protection against the hazards described in the draft text.
7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: -

8.	Relevant documents: <i>Diario Oficial de la Federación</i> (Official Journal) of 10 September 2009. Available at: http://www.dof.gob.mx			
9.	<table border="0"> <tr> <td data-bbox="300 344 639 383">Proposed date of adoption:</td><td data-bbox="826 344 1390 383" rowspan="2">} The notified Standard will enter into force 180 calendar days after publication in the Official Journal.</td></tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="300 412 724 454">Proposed date of entry into force:</td></tr> </table>	Proposed date of adoption:	} The notified Standard will enter into force 180 calendar days after publication in the Official Journal.	Proposed date of entry into force:
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10.	Final date for comments: 60 calendar days after publication of the draft in the Official Journal.			
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and website addresses, if available, of other body: <i>Dirección General de Normas de la Secretaría de Economía</i> (Directorate-General for Standards of the Ministry of the Economy) Tel.: (+52) 55-5729-9100, Ext. 43217 Fax: (+52) 55-5520-9715 Website: http://www.economia.gob.mx/?P=865 E-mail: normasomc@economia.gob.mx or figueroa@economia.gob.mx Also available at: http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2009/tbt/mex/09_3215_00_s.pdf			