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Unit B.4 – Product Safety and Rapid Alert System

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Subject: Appointment of a single liaison office under Article 23(1) of Regulation (EU) 2023/988 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 May 2023 on general product safety

On 10 May 2023, the European Parliament and the Council adopted Regulation (EU) 2023/988 on general product safety ⁽¹⁾ ('General Product Safety Regulation'). Article 23(1) of this Regulation refers to Article 10 of Regulation (EU) 2019/1020 on market surveillance and compliance of products ⁽²⁾ ('Market Surveillance Regulation') and extends its application to products covered by the General Product Safety Regulation.

Article 10 of the Market Surveillance Regulation requires each Member State to designate market surveillance authorities and to appoint a 'single liaison office'. This single liaison office will be responsible for representing the coordinated position of the national enforcement authorities, as well as for assisting in the cooperation between market surveillance authorities in different Member States.

In this context, we wish to invite your Member State to inform the Commission of the entity they have appointed, or they intend to appoint, as single liaison office in accordance with Article 23(1) of the General Product Safety Regulation.

We would be most grateful if your authorities could provide the following information no later than 15 November 2024: the entity appointed, or intended to be appointed, as single liaison office, as well as a contact point in this entity (name, function and contact details). To facilitate exchanges, the Single Liaison Office contact point should have a separate e-mail account, accessible to all members of that office and separate from its professional or private e-mail accounts.

Please note that this contact point can or not be the same as the Consumer Safety Network representative, the representative(s) of the General Product Safety Regulation Committee the Safety Gate national contact point or the Single Liaison Office already established under the Market Surveillance Regulation.

⁽¹⁾ Regulation (EU) 2023/988 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 May 2023 on general product safety, amending Regulation (EU) No 1025/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Directive (EU) 2020/1828 of the European Parliament and the Council, and repealing Directive 2001/95/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Directive 87/357/EEC (Text with EEA relevance), OJ L 135, 23.5.2023, p. 1–51.

⁽²⁾ Regulation (EU) 2019/1020 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 June 2019 on market surveillance and compliance of products and amending Directive 2004/42/EC and Regulations (EC) No 765/2008 and (EU) No 305/2011, OJ L 169, 25.6.2019, p. 1–44.

To inform the Commission about the entity you appoint/intend to appoint as Single Liaison Office as well as for any inquiries you may have on this, please contact: JUST-B4@ec.europa.eu.

We look forward to working closely with your authorities towards the implementation of the General Product Safety Regulation.

Yours faithfully,

E-signed

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