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BACKGROUND NOTE

Colombia: request for good manufacturing practices certificates for alcoholic beverages.

The issue concerns Colombia's request of good manufacturing practices certificates for companies importing alcoholic beverages into the country and the acceptance of EU Free Sales Certificates as proof of compliance. The measure was notified by Colombia to the WTO TBT Committee in July 2020 (G/TBT/N/COL/242) and will enter into force on 14 February 2023.

The Commission will report on the latest developments, including recent contacts with the Colombian authorities.