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Market Surveillance glossary update

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(text in red are changes with ref. to 2018 version)

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1. Introduction

- ✓ Title: Common definitions and terminology in Market Surveillance
- ✓ Current version dates of 2011
- √Scope: Market surveillance of non-food products

2. Why to review the document?

- ✓ Challenge of internet sales and new actors on the market to put products on the market.
- ✓Increased market surveillance actions worldwide to counter existence of non-conform (counterfeited) products on the market.
- ✓ More advanced concepts of market surveillance needed to increase effectiveness.
- √To incorporate latest changes of terms/definitions coming from basic/other standards and regulatory documents. (e.g. ISO/IEC 17000 latest DIS of 2019)

3. Objective of the document

- √To provide a global, harmonized set of terms and definitions to be used as a reference when drafting regulations, standards and other documents, with respect to market surveillance of non-food products placed or made available on the market.
- √To be in compliance with the WTO/TBT agreement.
- √To consider international regulations and other guidance documents. (in particular new MS regulation 2019/1020/EU published on 25/6/2019)

New terms

✓ Market survey

✓ Assessment of administrative or technical properties of products to assess whether they comply with the applicable requirements as laid down in legislation and standards. This includes, but is not limited to, inspection of marking and instructions, examination of technical documentation and testing of products.

√ Conformity rate

✓ The conformity rate is the share of products on the market that conform to the legal requirements.

Other new terms

- ✓ Fulfillment service provider
- ✓Information society service provider
- ✓ Online interface
- ✓ Non-compliance
- √ Customs authorities
- ✓ Products entering the country
- √ Release for free circulation

Other new terms

- ✓ End user
- √ Corrective action
- √Voluntary measure
- ✓ Products presenting a risk
- ✓ Products presenting a serious risk

Changed terms

- ✓ Market Surveillance
- ✓ Economic operator
- **√**Risk
- ✓ Withdrawal

Other changes

✓Include food products into scope?

- ✓ Update introduction of the document
 - ✓ Add history
 - ✓ Purpose of the document
- ✓ Update list of documents used

5. Proposal for discussion and clarification of terms

Following terms may be explained in a separate guide:

- ✓ The state of the art
- ✓ The state of the art and technology
- ✓ Commercial activities
- ✓ Making available
- ✓ Voluntary action
- ✓ Consumer market
- ✓ Victims' rights
- ✓ Procedure
- ✓ Professionals
- ✓ Destination country
- ✓ Second-hand goods

To consider as another, separate activity

6. Preliminary conclusions & way forward

- ✓ To integrate new/changed terms of latest ISO/IEC 17000, ISO 9000:2015 and 2019/1020/EU in existing UNECE glossary document
- ✓ Send draft to OIML (legal metrology), UNCTAD (Consumer protection) and get comments

Timing:

-to be agreed during this meeting

Thank you