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Draft specifications for companies and inspection bodies using laser marking for assay marks or any other hallmarks

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1. Structured Information Line

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2. Member State

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4. Notification Number

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5. Title

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6. Products Concerned

Articles made of precious metals of legal fineness sold in France

7. Notification Under Another Act

8. Main Content

The draft specifications covered by the present notification are prepared pursuant to the draft order on accreditation agreements and inspection bodies authorised to hallmark gold, silver and platinum articles. This draft order is covered by a concurrent notification.

The draft specifications are made up of six parts:

- I. Presentation of the company wishing to use laser hallmarking,
- II. Clients,
- II. Marking requirements,
- IV. IT security protocol,
- V. Management rules,
- VI. Verifications carried out by customs authorities.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

These draft specifications for laser hallmarking shall be attached to applications to use laser marking by French professionals and inspection bodies. The laser marking procedure requested by several operators is clearly beneficial in terms of engraving quality, speed and traceability. The advantages of this process are, on the one hand, the possibility of marking small articles without any risk of damage and, on the other hand, the reduction of manufacturing costs by incorporating laser marking into the production chain.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

References to reference texts: General Tax Code - Collection of indirect taxes: Articles 56 J duodecies and 56 J terdecies of Annex IV to the General Tax Code.

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

12. Grounds for the Emergency
13. Confidentiality No
14. Fiscal measures No
15. Impact assessment
16. TBT and SPS aspects TBT aspect
No – The draft has no significant impact on international trade.
SPS aspect
No - The draft is not a sanitary or phytosanitary measure.
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