

STATEMENT OF INTENT
BETWEEN THE
U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION
AND THE
ISRAEL ADMINISTRATION OF STANDARDIZATION,
MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY, TRADE AND LABOR
REGARDING COOPERATION ASSOCIATED
WITH CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY MATTERS

ARTICLE I - SCOPE

This Statement of Intent between the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and the Israel Administration of Standardization (IAS), Ministry of Industry, Trade and Labor of Israel, hereinafter called "the Participants," provides a framework through which CPSC and IAS can share expertise, information and other support to improve consumer product safety.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

The purpose of the Statement of Intent is to help reduce the number of deaths and serious injuries associated with some consumer products. This Statement of Intent sets forth the working relationship between the CPSC and the IAS which intend to work together toward the common goal of improving consumer product safety.

ARTICLE III - INFORMATION EXCHANGE

The CPSC and IAS each is to designate a contact person who is responsible for notifying the other contact person (as specified in Article XI) on consumer product safety matters of potential mutual interest. Information exchange on consumer product safety matters may include, but not be limited to, E-mail messages on consumer product recalls and other safety notices as well as notifications of known future shipments of possible unsafe consumer products to the other Participant's country. Each Participant intends to provide to the other Participant, upon request and to the extent practicable, public documents (e.g., periodicals, annual reports, case studies, proposed regulations, statistics, and corrective actions on potentially hazardous products) relating to consumer product safety.

The Participants recognize that the laws of both countries contain certain restrictions on information disclosure, and that nothing in this Statement of Intent calls on the Participants to provide information if such information is prohibited by their respective laws, other applicable regulations or enforcement policies.

ARTICLE IV - COOPERATION TO REDUCE LOSSES FROM HAZARDOUS CONSUMER PRODUCTS

The Participants intend to cooperate, subject to limitations of funds, resources, policies, priorities, and other factors, to help reduce the loss of life and serious injuries associated with specific consumer products. Such cooperation may include, but not be limited to, identification of hazard reduction strategies and exchange of suggestions to lessen these losses.

ARTICLE V - REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE

A. A Participant that requests assistance intends to include in its request, if applicable:

1. A general description of the subject matter and nature of any proceeding to which the request relates,
2. A description of the information sought and the foreseen use of the requested information,
3. A description of the action that the requesting Participant is requesting be taken,
4. Requirements, if any, for confidential treatment of the request or its contents; and
5. Any other information that the requesting Participant believes would be helpful in facilitating review or execution of a request.

B. The Participants intend to consult regarding a request in order to reach agreement with respect to the manner and timing of addressing the request, taking into consideration the nature and availability of the requested information.

ARTICLE VI - OTHER ACTIVITIES

The Participants intend to consider, on a case-by-case basis and subject to resource and other limitations, safety training programs, expert exchanges, and other activities that are considered to be mutually beneficial.

ARTICLE VII - PRIORITY TO DOMESTIC POPULATION

The Participants may be expected to give priority to addressing hazards to the populations they represent.

ARTICLE VIII - MODIFICATION OF STATEMENT OF INTENT

This Statement of Intent can be modified by the Participants in writing by mutual consent.

ARTICLE IX - APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS

This Statement of Intent and the intentions of the Participants therein remain subject to all applicable laws and regulations.

ARTICLE X - PERIODIC STATEMENT OF INTENT REVIEW

The Participants intend to establish a regular review process whereby both Participants may evaluate the implementation of the Statement of Intent. It is intended that the first review be undertaken on or before the first anniversary date of this Statement of Intent.

ARTICLE XI - LIAISON

Each of the Participants designates a contact person to whom correspondence and communications concerning this Statement of Intent are to be directed:

For CPSC, correspondence and communication are to be addressed to: Director, Office of International Programs and Intergovernmental Affairs, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814, U.S.A.

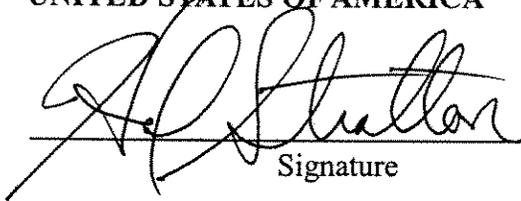
For IAS, correspondence and communication are to be addressed to: Commissioner of Standardization, Ministry of Industry, Trade and Labor, 5 Bank of Israel St., Jerusalem 91036, Israel

ARTICLE XII - DURATION

Cooperation under this Statement of Intent is expected to begin on the date of signature by both Participants and to continue initially for a period of one year from the date of signature and thereafter from year to year as the Participants see fit. A Participant should endeavor to provide the other Participant at least 30 days written notice before ending its cooperation under this Statement of Intent.

Signed at Washington D.C. and at Jerusalem.

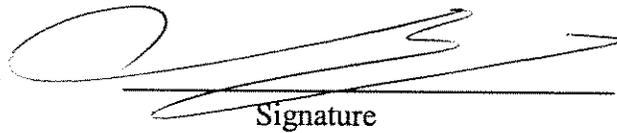
**FOR THE CONSUMER PRODUCT
SAFETY COMMISSION OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**



Signature

1/9/06
Date

**FOR THE ISRAEL ADMINISTRATION
OF STANDARDIZATION, MINISTRY
OF INDUSTRY, TRADE AND LABOR**



Signature

1/23/06
Date