To Ministry of Health and Medicine of Turkmenistan

“Türkmenstandartlary (Turkmen Standards)” Main State Service states that, on purpose of fulfillment of program the measures to be taken between years 2012 – 2016 on fighting against cigarettes in Turkmenistan, approved by Presidential Decision taken with number 11999 and dated from January 06, 2012 of President of Turkmenistan, Amendment Draft No: 3 on state standard TDS 596-2002 “Cigarettes. General technical terms” was drawn in conformity with requirements of state standards TDS 1.1-2004 “Improvement, agreement, approval and registration order of state standards”, TDS 1.5-2005 “General requirements of State Standardization System of Turkmenistan on improvement, declaration, legalization and content of Standards”, approved by the Order number No: 1/106 dated May 20, 2014 and entering into force from January 01, 2015.

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Area of application. First paragraph. Add after the words “technological processing” the words “reconstituted tobacco, rolled stem, expanded stem, expanded tobacco and other ingredients.” Delete the second and third paragraphs.

Section 3. Definitions. Add paragraphs with the following content:

“ingredient: Substance (with the exception of tobacco leaf and other parts of tobacco), used in the manufacture of a tobacco product, and present in the prepared tobacco product, including in altered form;

tar: Dehydrated condensate of tobacco smoke that does not contain nicotine;

nicotine: Alkaloid contained in tobacco leaves and tobacco smoke;

carbon monoxide (carbon dioxide): Product of incomplete combustion of carbon-containing substances formed during the smoking of a tobacco product.”

Paragraph 4.1 Set forth in the new edition as follows:

“Cigarettes must meet the requirements of this standard. The parameters of content of harmful substances in the smoke of one cigarette may not exceed: nicotine – 0.6 mg, tar – 6 mg, carbon monoxide – 8 mg.”

Paragraph 4.10 Set forth the eighth paragraph in the new version as follows:

“– polymer film according to the current regulatory documentation in Turkmenistan;”

Paragraph 4.11.8 Set forth the fifteenth paragraph in the new version as follows:

“One of the warning labels on the danger of smoking, the text of which shall be approved by the authorized body, must be placed on the consumer packaging of cigarettes and any outside packaging used in retail trade.
The text of the warning labels on the danger of smoking on the consumer packaging of cigarettes must be accompanied by pictures (pictograms), photo images of the destructive consequences of tobacco products and the inhalation of tobacco smoke for the human body.

The picture shall be printed in high resolution (CMYK of at least 300 dpi), placed on the upper part of each of the largest sides of any consumer packaging and should occupy an area of at least 65%.

The text shall be printed above the picture in capital letters in bold, clear, and easily readable font. Line spacing should not exceed the height of the font. The name of the font is “Arial”, the letter color should be in contrast to the main background of the picture.

The text shall be placed parallel to the bottom or top edge of the pack and/or package (carton, box) of cigarettes, ensuring the maximum display of the photo image.

The text of the constative part of the warning label must be bigger than the size of the remaining text.

Depending on the size of the cigarette package the font size should be 14-16 and 10-11 respectively. The size of the font on the carton or box shall be increased respective to the increase in the scale of the photo image.”

Subparagraph 4.11.12 should be set forth in the new edition as follows:

“It is prohibited to print information on the consumer packaging:

- that misleads the consumers, including the use of descriptions, trademarks, other symbols which directly or indirectly create a false impression that the tobacco product is less harmful than other tobacco products;
- that associates a tobacco product with a food product or drug, including herbs, including the fact that a tobacco product tastes like a food product, by using such words and phrases as, for example, “cherry,” “strawberries,” “apple,” “chocolate,” “mint,” “ginseng” and other similar such words in foreign languages translated from foreign languages into Turkmen or Russian;
- that uses the words and phrases “with low tar content,” “light,” “ultra-light,” “mild” or other similar words and phrases.

Add a new paragraph as follows to paragraph 4.12:

“Text included in the trademark shall be printed in the language of the country in which the trademark is registered.”
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