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## Additional Questions on the Use of Implementation Guidelines by the Parties

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## A. Article 5.3

A1. A1 Have you informed and educated all branches of government about the need to protect tobacco control policies from commercial and other vested interests of the tobacco industry and about the strategies and tactics used by the tobacco industry to interfere with such policies? (Recommendation 1 under the Guidelines)
Yes
A2. A2 Have you established measures to ensure that government bodies and persons working for these bodies interact with the tobacco industry only when and to the extent strictly necessary to enable them to effectively regulate the tobacco industry and tobacco products? (Recommendation 2 under the Guidelines)
Yes
A3. A3 Have you had, in the past two years, any interaction with the tobacco industry to enable effective regulation of the tobacco industry and tobacco products? (Recommendations 2.1 and 2.2 under the Guidelines)
Yes
A3p1. A3.1 If yes, please indicate whether you ensured transparency of the interactions which occurred (e.g. Were they conducted in public, for example through public hearings? Was there public notice of interactions? Was there disclosure of the records of such interactions to the public?).
Yes
A3p2. A3.2 Please provide details, as appropriate.
During the public consultation of additional legislation, among others, to prohibit several attractive design features of tobacco packaging, tobacco industry also could give a reaction strictly to gain realistic insight of the implementation of these technical features. The reaction of the tobacco industry will be published.

A4. A4 Have you entered into any partnerships or non-binding or non-enforceable agreements as well as any voluntary arrangement with the tobacco industry or any entity or person working to further its interests? (Recommendation 3.1 under the Guidelines)

No

A4p1. A4.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

A5. A5 Are you aware of any youth, public education or other initiatives related to tobacco control organized or promoted by the tobacco industry in your jurisdiction? (Recommendation 3.2 under the Guidelines)

No

A5p1. A5.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

A6. A6 Are you aware of any offer for assistance or proposed tobacco control legislation or policy drafted by or in collaboration with the tobacco industry?

No

A6p1. A6.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

A7. A7 Have you formulated, adopted and implemented a code of conduct for public officials, prescribing the standards with which they should comply in their dealings with the tobacco industry?

Yes

A7p1. A7.1 If yes, please provide a copy of the text.

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A8. A8 Do you require government officials to declare and divest themselves of direct interests in the tobacco industry? (Recommendation 4.6 under the Guidelines)

Yes

A8p1. A8.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

A9. A9 Have you implemented any policy to prevent any person employed by the tobacco industry or any entity working to further its interests from being a member of any government body, committee or advisory group that sets or implements tobacco control or public health policy? (Recommendation 4.8 under the Guidelines)

Yes

A9p1. A9.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

A10[A10p1]. A10 Do you prevent nomination of any person employed by the tobacco industry or any entity working to further its interests to serve on delegations to (Recommendation 4.9 under the Guidelines): [A10.1 - meetings of the Conference of the Parties?]

Yes

A10[A10p2]. A10 Do you prevent nomination of any person employed by the tobacco industry or any entity working to further its interests to serve on delegations to (Recommendation 4.9 under the Guidelines): [A10.2 - meetings of the subsidiary bodies of the Conference of the Parties?]

Yes

A10[A10p3]. A10 Do you prevent nomination of any person employed by the tobacco industry or any entity working to further its interests to serve on delegations to (Recommendation 4.9 under the Guidelines): [A10.3 - meetings of any other bodies established pursuant to decisions of the Conference of the Parties?]

Yes

A10p4. A10.4 Please provide details, as appropriate.

A11. A11 Do you prohibit contributions from the tobacco industry or any entity working to further its interests to political parties, candidates or campaigns? (Recommendation 4.11 under the Guidelines)

No

A11p1. A11.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

A12[A12p1]. A12 Do you require the tobacco industry to periodically submit information on (Recommendation 5.2 under the Guidelines): [A12.1 - tobacco production and manufacture?]

No

A12[A12p2]. A12 Do you require the tobacco industry to periodically submit information on (Recommendation 5.2 under the Guidelines): [A12.2 - market share?]

No

A12[A12p3]. A12 Do you require the tobacco industry to periodically submit information on (Recommendation 5.2 under the Guidelines): [A12.3 - marketing expenditures?]

No

A12[A12p4]. A12 Do you require the tobacco industry to periodically submit information on (Recommendation 5.2 under the Guidelines): [A12.4 - revenues?]

No

A12[A12p5]. A12 Do you require the tobacco industry to periodically submit information on (Recommendation 5.2 under the Guidelines): [A12.5 - lobbying?]

No

A12[A12p6]. A12 Do you require the tobacco industry to periodically submit information on (Recommendation 5.2 under the Guidelines): [A12.6 - philanthropy?]

No

A12[A12p7]. A12 Do you require the tobacco industry to periodically submit information on (Recommendation 5.2 under the Guidelines): [A12.7 - political contributions?]

No

A12[A12p8]. A12 Do you require the tobacco industry to periodically submit information on (Recommendation 5.2 under the Guidelines): [A12.8 Any other activities not prohibited or not yet prohibited under Article 13 of the Convention?]

No

A12p9. A12.9 Please provide details, as appropriate.

A13[A12p1]. A13 Do you require the disclosure of registration of (Recommendation 5.3 under the Guidelines): [A13.1 - tobacco industry entities?]

No

A13[A12p2]. A13 Do you require the disclosure of registration of (Recommendation 5.3 under the Guidelines): [A13.2 - organizations affiliated to the tobacco industry?]

No

A13[A12p3]. A13 Do you require the disclosure of registration of (Recommendation 5.3 under the Guidelines): [A13.3 - individuals acting on behalf of the tobacco industry, including lobbyists?]

No

A13p4. A13.4 Please provide details, as appropriate.

A14. A14 Do you grant any incentives, privileges, benefits or preferential tax exemptions to the tobacco industry to establish or run their business? (Recommendations 7.1 and 7.3 under the Guidelines)

No

A14p1. A14.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

A15. A15 Do you have any State-owned tobacco industry operating in your jurisdiction? (Recommendation 8 under the Guidelines)

No

A15p0[A15pn]. If yes, please indicate whether you ensured that: [A15.1 ... State-owned tobacco industry is treated in the same way as any other member of the tobacco industry in respect of setting and implementing tobacco control policy?]

A15p0[A15p2]. If yes, please indicate whether you ensured that: [A15.2 ... the setting and implementing of tobacco control policy are separated from overseeing and managing tobacco industry?]

A15p0[A15p3]. If yes, please indicate whether you ensured that: [A15.3 ... representatives of State-owned tobacco industry do not form part of delegations to meetings of the Conference of the Parties and its subsidiary bodies?]

A15p4. A15.4 Please provide details, as appropriate.

## B. Article 8

B1[B1p1]. B1 To ensure support for and smooth implementation of your legislation covering protection from exposure to tobacco smoke, have you implemented (Section "Inform, consult and involve..." under the Guidelines): [B1.1 - awareness raising programmes among the public and opinion leaders about the risks of second-hand smoke exposure through ongoing information campaigns in the course of developing the legislation?]

B1[B1p2]. B1 To ensure support for and smooth implementation of your legislation covering protection from exposure to tobacco smoke, have you implemented (Section "Inform, consult and involve..." under the Guidelines): [B1.2 - consultations with affected businesses and other organizations and institutions in the course of developing the legislation?]

B1[B1p3]. B1 To ensure support for and smooth implementation of your legislation covering protection from exposure to tobacco smoke, have you implemented (Section "Inform, consult and involve..." under the Guidelines): [B1.3 - an education campaign leading up to implementation of the law to provide information to the public and the affected stakeholders?]

B1p4. B1.4 Please provide details, as appropriate.

B2p0[B2p1]. If yes, do the duties and responsibilities include the following: [B2.1 - posting of clear signs at entrances and other appropriate locations indicating that smoking is not permitted?]

B2p0[B2p2]. If yes, do the duties and responsibilities include the following: [B2.2 - removing ashtrays from the premises?]

B2p0[B2p3]. If yes, do the duties and responsibilities include the following: [B2.3 - supervising the observance of rules?]

B2p0[B2p4]. If yes, do the duties and responsibilities include the following: [B2.4 - taking reasonable specified steps to discourage individuals from smoking on the premises?]

B2p5. B2.5 Please provide details, as appropriate.

B3p2. B3.2 Please provide details, as appropriate (e.g. the number of recorded violations and fines applied).

B4p1. B4.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

B5p1. B5.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

B6p1. B6.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

## C. Articles 9 and 10

C1. C1 Is there any laboratory in your jurisdiction able to perform measurements concerning the contents and emissions of tobacco products available on your market? (Sections 2.4 and 2.5 under the Guidelines)

Yes

C1p1. C1.1 If yes, please indicate whether the laboratory undertaking the tests and measurements is accredited in accordance with International Organization for Standardization (ISO) Standard 17025 (General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories), by a recognized accreditation body.

Yes

C1p2. C1.2 If yes, please indicate whether the laboratory used for compliance purposes is governmental or independent laboratory that is not owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by the tobacco industry?

Governmental laboratory

C1p3. C1.3 If no, please indicate where, if any, such measurements are performed for the tobacco products available on your national market?

C1p4. C1.4 Please provide details, as appropriate.

C2. C2 Do you require that manufacturers and importers of tobacco products disclose to governmental authorities information on the ingredients used in the manufacture of their tobacco products? (Section 3.1.1 under the Guidelines)

Yes

C2p1[C2p1p1]. C2.1 If yes, is such disclosure required: [C2.1.1 - at specified intervals?]

Other

C2p1[C2p1p2]. C2.1 If yes, is such disclosure required: [C2.1.2 - by product type?]

Yes

C2p1[C2p1p3]. C2.1 If yes, is such disclosure required: [C2.1.3 - for each brand within a brand family?]

Yes

C2p1[C2p1p4]. C2.1 If yes, is such disclosure required: [C2.1.4 - on the quantities thereof per unit of each tobacco?]

Yes

C2p1[C2p1p5]. C2.1 If yes, is such disclosure required: [C2.1.5 - on the ingredients present in the product's components (e.g. filter, papers, glue)?]

Yes

C2p1[C2p1p6]. C2.1 If yes, is such disclosure required: [C2.1.6 - on type(s) of tobacco leaves used (e.g. Virginia, Burley, Oriental)?]

Yes

C2p1[C2p1p7]. C2.1 If yes, is such disclosure required: [C2.1.7 - on percentage of reconstituted tobacco used?]

Yes

C2p1[C2p1p8]. C2.1 If yes, is such disclosure required: [C2.1.8 - on percentage of expanded tobacco used?]

Yes

C2p2. C2.2 Do you require that manufacturers and importers notify governmental authorities of any changes to tobacco product ingredients when or before the change is made?

Yes

C2p3. C2.3 Do you require that manufacturers disclose the name, address and other contact information of each ingredient's supplier?

No

C2p4. C2.4 Please provide details, as appropriate.

C3[C3p1]. C3 Do you regulate, by prohibiting or restricting, the following ingredients in tobacco products (Section 3.1.2 under the Guidelines): [C3.1 - ingredients that may be used to increase palatability in tobacco products (e.g. sugars, sweeteners)?]

No

C3[C3p2]. C3 Do you regulate, by prohibiting or restricting, the following ingredients in tobacco products (Section 3.1.2 under the Guidelines): [C3.2 - flavouring substances (e.g. benzaldehyde, maltol, menthol and vanillin) or spices and herbs to improve palatability (e.g. cinnamon, ginger and mint)?]

Yes

C3[C3p3]. C3 Do you regulate, by prohibiting or restricting, the following ingredients in tobacco products (Section 3.1.2 under the Guidelines): [C3.3 - ingredients that have colouring properties (e.g. inks, pigments)?]

Yes

C3[C3p4]. C3 Do you regulate, by prohibiting or restricting, the following ingredients in tobacco products (Section 3.1.2 under the Guidelines): [C3.4 - ingredients used to create the impression that products have health benefits (e.g. vitamins, fruits and vegetables, amino acids, essential fatty acids)?]

Yes

C3[C3p5]. C3 Do you regulate, by prohibiting or restricting, the following ingredients in tobacco products (Section 3.1.2 under the Guidelines): [C3.5 - ingredients associated with energy and vitality (e.g. caffeine, taurine)?]

Yes

C3p6. C3.6 Please provide details, as appropriate.

Details for C3.2-C3.5: such ingredients are banned.

With regards to the flavouring substances, tobacco products with a characterising flavour are forbidden.

C4. C4 Do you require that cigarettes commercialized on your market comply with reduced ignition propensity standards? (Section 3.3.2.1 under the Guidelines)

Yes

C4p1. C4.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

C5[C5p1]. C5 Do you require the disclosure, to governmental authorities, by manufacturers and importers of tobacco products of the following information (Section 3.4 under the Guidelines): [C5.1 - product characteristics, such as design features?]

Yes

C5[C5p2]. C5 Do you require the disclosure, to governmental authorities, by manufacturers and importers of tobacco products of the following information (Section 3.4 under the Guidelines): [C5.2 - reports of laboratory tests for the measurement of a particular design feature?]

Yes

C5[C5p3]. C5 Do you require the disclosure, to governmental authorities, by manufacturers and importers of tobacco products of the following information (Section 3.4 under the Guidelines): [C5.3 - general company information, including the name, street address and contact information of the principal place of business and of each manufacturing and importing facility?]

Yes

C5[C5p4]. C5 Do you require the disclosure, to governmental authorities, by manufacturers and importers of tobacco products of the following information (Section 3.4 under the Guidelines): [C5.4 - for each brand within a brand family, sales volume information in units (e.g. number of cigarettes or cigars, or weight of roll-your-own tobacco)]

Yes

C5p5. C5.5 Please provide details, as appropriate.

Details for C5.2: can be part of the reporting on additives that are placed on the European priority list.

C6[C6p1]. C6 In relation to the enforcement of measures under Articles 9 and 10 of the Convention (Section 4 under the Guidelines): [C6.1 Does your legislation stipulate the authority or authorities responsible for enforcement?]

Yes

C6[C6p2]. C6 In relation to the enforcement of measures under Articles 9 and 10 of the Convention (Section 4 under the Guidelines): [C6.2 If yes, does the infrastructure necessary for compliance monitoring and enforcement activities exist within the authority or authorities?]

Yes

C6[C6p3]. C6 In relation to the enforcement of measures under Articles 9 and 10 of the Convention (Section 4 under the Guidelines): [C6.3 Do you use inspectors or enforcement agents to conduct regular visits to manufacturing and importing facilities, as well as points of sale, to ensure compliance?]

Yes

C6[C6p4]. C6 In relation to the enforcement of measures under Articles 9 and 10 of the Convention (Section 4 under the Guidelines): [C6.4 Have you specified a deadline following which the tobacco industry and retailers must only supply tobacco products that comply with relevant requirements?]

Yes

C6[C6p5]. C6 In relation to the enforcement of measures under Articles 9 and 10 of the Convention (Section 4 under the Guidelines): [C6.5 Have you specified a deadline following which the tobacco industry and retailers must only supply cigarettes that comply with the required RIP standard?]

Yes

C6[C6p6]. C6 In relation to the enforcement of measures under Articles 9 and 10 of the Convention (Section 4 under the Guidelines): [C6.6 Do you conduct visits at manufacturers' facilities to verify whether any prohibited or restricted ingredient is being used?]

Other

C6[C6p7]. C6 In relation to the enforcement of measures under Articles 9 and 10 of the Convention (Section 4 under the Guidelines): [C6.7 In order to deter non-compliance with the relevant law, have you specified appropriate sanctions, such as criminal sanctions, monetary amounts, corrective actions, and the suspension, limitation or cancellation of business and import licences?]

Yes

C6[C6p8]. C6 In relation to the enforcement of measures under Articles 9 and 10 of the Convention (Section 4 under the Guidelines): [C6.8 Do you ensure that non-compliant tobacco products are seized, forfeited and destroyed under supervision, in accordance with the national law?]

Other

C6[C6p9]. C6 In relation to the enforcement of measures under Articles 9 and 10 of the Convention (Section 4 under the Guidelines): [C6.9 Do you specify a range of fines or other penalties commensurate with the severity of the violation?]

C6p10. C6.10 Please provide details, as appropriate.

Details for C6.8: appropriate measures are taken.

C7[C7p1]. C7 Do you use a sampling strategy to perform verification of tobacco products (Section 4.6 under the Guidelines): [C7.1 - for the presence of prohibited or restricted ingredients?]

Yes

C7[C7p2]. C7 Do you use a sampling strategy to perform verification of tobacco products (Section 4.6 under the Guidelines): [C7.2 - to ascertain whether they comply with the required RIP performance standard?]

No

C8[C8p1]. C8 Do you use or have you considered using the following means of financing tobacco product regulation measures, by placing their costs on the tobacco industry and retailers (Section 2.3 and Appendix 1 under the Guidelines): [C8.1 - tobacco product registration fees?]

Yes

C8[C8p2]. C8 Do you use or have you considered using the following means of financing tobacco product regulation measures, by placing their costs on the tobacco industry and retailers (Section 2.3 and Appendix 1 under the Guidelines): [C8.2 - designated tobacco taxes?]

Yes

C8[C8p3]. C8 Do you use or have you considered using the following means of financing tobacco product regulation measures, by placing their costs on the tobacco industry and retailers (Section 2.3 and Appendix 1 under the Guidelines): [C8.3 - tobacco manufacturing and/or importing licensing fees?]

No

C8[C8p4]. C8 Do you use or have you considered using the following means of financing tobacco product regulation measures, by placing their costs on the tobacco industry and retailers (Section 2.3 and Appendix 1 under the Guidelines): [C8.4 - tobacco selling licences for distributors and retailers?]

No

C8[C8p5]. C8 Do you use or have you considered using the following means of financing tobacco product regulation measures, by placing their costs on the tobacco industry and retailers (Section 2.3 and Appendix 1 under the Guidelines): [C8.5 - non-compliance fees levied on the tobacco industry and retailers, such as administrative monetary penalties?]

Yes

C8[C8p6]. C8 Do you use or have you considered using the following means of financing tobacco product regulation measures, by placing their costs on the tobacco industry and retailers (Section 2.3 and Appendix 1 under the Guidelines): [C8.6 - annual tobacco surveillance/control fees for the tobacco industry and retailers?]

Other

C8p7. C8.7 Please provide details, as appropriate.

Details for C8.6: Costs for surveillance on emissions of TNCO are recovered from the tobacco industry.

## D. Article 11

D1. D1 Does your legislation require health warnings to be positioned on both front and back of each package, rather than just one side? (Section "Location" under the Guidelines)

Yes

D1p1. D1.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

Health warnings need to cover 65% of the front and 65% of the back of each package and roll your own tobacco.

D2. D2 Does your legislation require health warnings to be positioned at the top of the principal display areas rather than at the bottom? (Section "Location" under the Guidelines)

Yes

D2p1. D2.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

D3. D3 Does your legislation require the frame of the health warning to be excluded from the size of the warning itself? (Section "Size" under the Guidelines)

No

D3p1. D3.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

D4[D4p1]. D4 Does your legislation require rotation of warnings to be implemented by (Section "Rotation" under the Guidelines): [D4.1 - having multiple health warnings and messages appearing concurrently?]

Yes

D4[D4p2]. D4 Does your legislation require rotation of warnings to be implemented by (Section "Rotation" under the Guidelines): [D4.2 - setting a date after which the health warning and message content will change, such as a new set of warnings after 12-36 months?]

Yes

D4p3. D4.3 Please provide details, as appropriate.

D4p4. D4.4 If none of the above two methods described in D4.1 and D4.2 are applied, please describe how rotation takes place.

D5[D5p1]. D5 Do your health warnings address the following issues (Sections "Message content" and "Targeting population subgroups" under the Guidelines): [D5.1 - harmful health effects of tobacco use?]

Yes

D5[D5p2]. D5 Do your health warnings address the following issues (Sections "Message content" and "Targeting population subgroups" under the Guidelines): [D5.2 - impact of exposure to tobacco smoke?]

Yes

D5[D5p3]. D5 Do your health warnings address the following issues (Sections "Message content" and "Targeting population subgroups" under the Guidelines): [D5.3 - advice on cessation?]

Yes

D5[D5p4]. D5 Do your health warnings address the following issues (Sections "Message content" and "Targeting population subgroups" under the Guidelines): [D5.4 - the addictive nature of tobacco?]  
Yes

D5[D5p5]. D5 Do your health warnings address the following issues (Sections "Message content" and "Targeting population subgroups" under the Guidelines): [D5.5 - adverse economic and social outcomes? (for example, annual cost of purchasing tobacco products)?]  
No

D5[D5p6]. D5 Do your health warnings address the following issues (Sections "Message content" and "Targeting population subgroups" under the Guidelines): [D5.6 - the impact of tobacco use on others? (premature illness of one's father due to smoking, for example, or death of a loved one due to exposure to tobacco smoke)]  
Yes

D5[D5p7]. D5 Do your health warnings address the following issues (Sections "Message content" and "Targeting population subgroups" under the Guidelines): [D5.7 - tobacco industry practices?]  
No

D5[D5p8]. D5 Do your health warnings address the following issues (Sections "Message content" and "Targeting population subgroups" under the Guidelines): [D5.8 - target population subgroups, such as youth?]  
Yes

D5p9. D5.9 Please provide details, as appropriate.

D6. D6 Does your legislation ban the display of quantitative information on tobacco product packaging and labelling about tobacco constituents and emissions (such as tar, nicotine and carbon monoxide yields), including when used as part of a brand name or trademark? (Section "Constituents and emissions" under the Guidelines)  
Yes

D6p1. D6.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

D7. D7 Do you conduct pre-market testing of health warnings and messages that are planned to be placed on tobacco product packaging? (Section "Pre-marketing testing" under the Guidelines)  
Other

D7p1. D7.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.  
Health warnings are used as prescribed in the European Tobacco Products Directive.

D8. D8 Does your legislation prevent the display of expiry dates on tobacco packaging? (Section "Preventing packaging and labelling that is misleading or deceptive" under the Guidelines)  
No

D8p1. D8.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

D9. D9 Does your legislation on packaging and labelling stipulate the same requirements for tobacco products sold in duty-free stores as for tobacco products sold in regular stores? (Section "Scope" under the Guidelines)  
Yes

D9p1. D9.1 If you responded "no", how are the packaging and labelling requirements different for tobacco products sold in duty-free stores?

D9p2. D9.2 Please provide details, as appropriate.

D10. D10 Does your legislation mandate plain packaging (e.g. prohibiting the use of logos, colours, brand images, or promotional information on packaging other than brand names and product names displayed in a standard colour and font style)? (Section "Plain packaging" under the Guidelines)  
Yes

D10p1. D10.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.  
It is planned from July 1st 2018 to prohibit several attractive design features of tobacco packaging.

D11. D11 Do you conduct pre-market testing of health warnings and messages that are planned to be placed on tobacco product packaging? (Section "Pre-market testing" under the Guidelines)

Other

D11p1. D11.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

Health warnings are used as prescribed in the European Tobacco Products Directive.

D12[D12p1]. D12 In relation to the enforcement of measures under Article 11 of the Convention (Section "Legal measures" and "Enforcement" under the Guidelines): [D12.1 Does the legislation on packaging and labelling of tobacco products specify fines or other penalties for violations?]

Yes

D12[D12p2]. D12 In relation to the enforcement of measures under Article 11 of the Convention (Section "Legal measures" and "Enforcement" under the Guidelines): [D12.2 If yes, do you consider these fines commensurate with the severity of violations and are sufficiently large to deter violations?]

Yes

D12[D12p3]. D12 In relation to the enforcement of measures under Article 11 of the Convention (Section "Legal measures" and "Enforcement" under the Guidelines): [D12.3 Do you use inspectors or enforcement agents to conduct regular spot checks of tobacco products at manufacturing and importing facilities, as well as points of sale, to ensure that packaging and labelling comply with the law?]

Yes

D12p4. D12.4 Please provide details, as appropriate (e.g, the number of recorded violations and fines applied).

D13. D13 Have you conducted an assessment of the impact of packaging and labelling measures on the target populations (e.g, by measuring aspects such as noticeability, comprehension, credibility, informativeness, recall and personal relevance of health warnings and messages)? (Section "Impact on populations" under the Guidelines)

No

D13p1. D13.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

D14. D14 Should you have such experience, have you shared with other Parties your legal and other expertise in countering tobacco industry arguments against packaging and labelling measures? (Section "International cooperation" under the Guidelines)

Yes

D14p1. D14.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

## E. Article 12

E1. E1 Have you established an infrastructure to support education, communication and training? (Section "Providing an infrastructure to raise public awareness" under the Guidelines)

Yes

E1p1. E1.1 If yes, please describe its functions.

Campaign such as Stoptopber, NIX18, Healthy School Program, website of Trimbos for adults and young people about smoking, the advantages of quitting smoking (<https://www.rokeninfo.nl>, [www.jongeren.rokeninfo.nl](http://www.jongeren.rokeninfo.nl)), health risk warnings on packages, [www.ikstopnu.nl](http://www.ikstopnu.nl) (website which support people to quit smoking).

E2. E2 Have you developed an action plan for the implementation of education, communication and training activities within your comprehensive tobacco control programme? (Section "Providing an infrastructure to raise public awareness" under the Guidelines)

Yes

E2p1. E2.1 If yes, please provide details concerning its content.

Healthy School Program

E3. E3 Do you have in your country any web site on education, communication and training, for example to communicate success stories and address implementation of Article 12 of the Convention? (Section "Running effective education, communication and training programmes" under the Guidelines)

Yes

E3p1. E3.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

E4. E4 Do you actively involve members of civil society, in different phases of education, communication and training programmes, such as planning, developing, implementing, monitoring and evaluating? (Section "Involving civil society" under the Guidelines)

Yes

E4p1. E4.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

E5. E5 In your country, does any tobacco company fund or co-fund any youth prevention programmes? (these have been demonstrated to be ineffective and even counterproductive, and have been publicly disapproved by the World Health Organization) (Section "Ensuring wide access to information on the tobacco industry" under the Guidelines)

No

E5p1. E5.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

E6. E6 In what ways, if any, do you raise awareness of the implementation of the Convention in relevant international organizations, platforms and with civil society to ensure that raising awareness of the Convention is not confined to tobacco control meetings and the health sector? (Section "Strengthening international cooperation" under the Guidelines)

E7. E7 Do you regularly monitor and evaluate your education, communication and training programmes? (Section "Monitoring of implementation and revision of the Guidelines")

Yes

E7p1. E7.1 If yes, do you use the results of the monitoring and evaluation processes for programme improvement?

Yes

E7p2. E7.2 Please provide details, as appropriate.

Healthy School Program has been evaluated in 2016. There has been done research on the results of Stoptober 2016. Also the campaign NIX18 has been evaluated each year since 2014.

E8[E8p1]. E8 In the past two years, has there been in your country an anti-tobacco media campaign (Section "Running effective education, communication and training programmes" and Appendix 5 under the Guidelines): [E8.1 - aired on television?]

Yes

E8[E8p2]. E8 In the past two years, has there been in your country an anti-tobacco media campaign (Section "Running effective education, communication and training programmes" and Appendix 5 under the Guidelines): [E8.2 - aired on radio?]

Yes

E8[E8p3]. E8 In the past two years, has there been in your country an anti-tobacco media campaign (Section "Running effective education, communication and training programmes" and Appendix 5 under the Guidelines): [E8.3 - published on billboards?]

No

E8[E8p4]. E8 In the past two years, has there been in your country an anti-tobacco media campaign (Section "Running effective education, communication and training programmes" and Appendix 5 under the Guidelines): [E8.4 - communicated through any other media?]

Yes

E8p5. E8.5 Please provide details, as appropriate.

Stoptober uses an quit-smoking app and social media is a big success factor within the campaign (such as Facebook).

## F. Article 13

F1. F1 Do you provide for any exception to a comprehensive ban on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship for the purpose of providing product information to actors within the tobacco trade? (Section "Communication within the tobacco trade" under the Guidelines)

Yes

F1p1. F1.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

F2[F2p1]. F2 Should you require the disclosure to relevant Government authorities of expenditures by the tobacco industry on advertising, promotion and sponsorship not yet prohibited, are such disclosures (Section "Obligations related to Article 13.4 of the Convention" under the Guidelines): [F2.1 - required at regular intervals prescribed by law?]

No

F2[F2p2]. F2 Should you require the disclosure to relevant Government authorities of expenditures by the tobacco industry on advertising, promotion and sponsorship not yet prohibited, are such disclosures (Section "Obligations related to Article 13.4 of the Convention" under the Guidelines): [F2.2 - made in response to specific requests?]

No

F2[F2p3]. F2 Should you require the disclosure to relevant Government authorities of expenditures by the tobacco industry on advertising, promotion and sponsorship not yet prohibited, are such disclosures (Section "Obligations related to Article 13.4 of the Convention" under the Guidelines): [F2.3 - required both in total and by brand?]

No

F2p4. F2.4 Please provide details, as appropriate.

F3[F3p1]. F3 Should you require the disclosure to relevant Government authorities of expenditures by the tobacco industry on advertising, promotion and sponsorship not yet prohibited, are such disclosures required to provide information about (Section "Obligations related to Article 13.4 of the Convention" under the Guidelines): [F3.1 - the kind of advertising, promotion or sponsorship, including its content, form and type of media?]

No

F3[F3p2]. F3 Should you require the disclosure to relevant Government authorities of expenditures by the tobacco industry on advertising, promotion and sponsorship not yet prohibited, are such disclosures required to provide information about (Section "Obligations related to Article 13.4 of the Convention" under the Guidelines): [F3.2 - the placement and extent or frequency of the advertising, promotion or sponsorship?]

No

F3[F3p3]. F3 Should you require the disclosure to relevant Government authorities of expenditures by the tobacco industry on advertising, promotion and sponsorship not yet prohibited, are such disclosures required to provide information about (Section "Obligations related to Article 13.4 of the Convention" under the Guidelines): [F3.3 - the identity of all entities involved in the advertising, promotion and sponsorship, including advertising and production companies?]

No

F3[F3p4]. F3 Should you require the disclosure to relevant Government authorities of expenditures by the tobacco industry on advertising, promotion and sponsorship not yet prohibited, are such disclosures required to provide information about (Section "Obligations related to Article 13.4 of the Convention" under the Guidelines): [F3.4 - in the case of cross-border advertising, promotion or sponsorship originating from a Party's territory, the territory or territories in which it is intended to be, or may be, received?]

No

F3[F3p5]. F3 Should you require the disclosure to relevant Government authorities of expenditures by the tobacco industry on advertising, promotion and sponsorship not yet prohibited, are such disclosures required to provide information about (Section "Obligations related to Article 13.4 of the Convention" under the Guidelines): [F3.5 - the amount of financial or other resources used for the advertising, promotion or sponsorship?]

No

F3p6. F3.6 Please provide details, as appropriate.

F4p1. F4.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

F5. F5 Does your legislation define the entities responsible for tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship? (Section "Responsible entities" under the Guidelines)

Other

F5p0[F5p1]. If you responded “yes”, does your legislation stipulate: [F5.1 - that primary responsibility lies with the initiator of advertising, promotion, or sponsorship, usually tobacco manufacturers, wholesale distributors importers, retailers, and their agents and associations?]

F5p0[F5p2]. If you responded “yes”, does your legislation stipulate: [F5.2 - that persons or entities that produce or publish media content must not include tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship in that content?]

F5p0[F5p3]. If you responded “yes”, does your legislation stipulate: [F5.3 - that persons or entities such as event organizers, sportspeople and celebrities, must not engage in tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship?]

F5p0[F5p4]. If you responded “yes”, does your legislation stipulate: [F5.4 - that entities involved in analogue or digital media and communication must remove or disable access to content after they have been made aware of the tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship?]

F6[F6p1]. F6 If you have included in your legislation a ban on cross-border advertising originating from your territory, does that ban apply to ( Section "Cross-border advertising, promotion and sponsorship originating from a Party's territory (out-flowing material)" under the guidelines): [F6.1 - all publications and products printed or produced within your territory, whether they are targeting persons within your territory or persons in the territories of other States?]

Yes

F6[F6p2]. F6 If you have included in your legislation a ban on cross-border advertising originating from your territory, does that ban apply to ( Section "Cross-border advertising, promotion and sponsorship originating from a Party's territory (out-flowing material)" under the guidelines): [F6.2 - the placing of tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship on the Internet or another cross-border communications technology by any person or entity within your territory?]

Yes

F6[F6p3]. F6 If you have included in your legislation a ban on cross-border advertising originating from your territory, does that ban apply to ( Section "Cross-border advertising, promotion and sponsorship originating from a Party's territory (out-flowing material)" under the guidelines): [F6.3 - any person or entity that broadcasts tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship that could be received in another state?]

Other

F6p4. F6.4 Please provide details, as appropriate.

F7[F7p1]. F7 If you have included in your legislation a ban on cross-border advertising entering your territory, does that ban apply to (Section “Cross-border advertising, promotion and sponsorship entering a Party's territory” under the Guidelines): [F7.1 - publications and products printed or produced in other States entering your territory or targeting persons within your territory?]

Yes

F7[F7p2]. F7 If you have included in your legislation a ban on cross-border advertising entering your territory, does that ban apply to (Section “Cross-border advertising, promotion and sponsorship entering a Party's territory” under the Guidelines): [F7.2 - all Internet content that is accessible within your territory?]

No

F7[F7p3]. F7 If you have included in your legislation a ban on cross-border advertising entering your territory, does that ban apply to (Section “Cross-border advertising, promotion and sponsorship entering a Party's territory” under the Guidelines): [F7.3 - any other audio, visual or audiovisual material broadcast into or otherwise received in your territory, whether or not it is targeting persons in your territory?]

No

F7p4. F7.4 Please provide details, as appropriate.

F8. F8 Have you introduced and applied penalties in cases of non-compliance with your tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship requirements? (Section “Domestic enforcement...” under the Guidelines)

Yes

F8p1. F8.1 If that is the case, do the sanctions also include the obligation to remedy the infringement (for example, by removal of the advertising, promotion and sponsorship; publication of court decisions in a manner to be determined by the court and at the expense of the party or parties designated by the court; and funding of corrective counter-advertising).

Yes

F8p2. F8.2 Please provide details, as appropriate.

F9. F9 Have you designated a competent, independent authority to monitor and enforce the laws and have you entrusted it with the necessary powers and resources? (Section "Monitoring, enforcement and access to justice" under the Guidelines)

Yes

F9p1. F9.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

F10. F10 Does your legislation foresee the involvement of civil society in the monitoring and enforcement of the law? (Section "Monitoring, enforcement and access to justice" under the Guidelines)

Yes

F10p1. F10.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

## G. Article 14

G1. G1 Have you ever conducted a national situation analysis on tobacco cessation and dependence treatment? (Section "Developing an infrastructure to support tobacco cessation and treatment of tobacco dependence" under the Guidelines)

Yes

G1p1. G1.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

In 2009 research was conducted to gather all the bottlenecks and chances/possibilities to strengthen tobacco cessation support.

G2[G2p1]. G2 Do you maintain an up-to-date, easily accessible information system on: (Section "Create or strengthen national coordination" under the Guidelines) [G2.1 - available tobacco cessation services ?]

Yes

G2[G2p2]. G2 Do you maintain an up-to-date, easily accessible information system on: (Section "Create or strengthen national coordination" under the Guidelines) [G2.2 - qualified service providers for tobacco users?]

Yes

G2p3. G2.3 Please provide details, as appropriate.

A quality register is maintained to check who provides qualified service, it is mainly used by health insurance companies. Besides this register, a social card is developed to inform the public.

G3. G3 Have you developed and implemented a national cessation strategy to promote tobacco cessation and provide tobacco dependence treatment? (Section "Develop and disseminate comprehensive guidelines" under the guidelines)

Yes

G3p1[G2p1]. G3.1 If so, is this strategy: [G3.1.1 - a standalone document?]

No

G3p1[G2p2]. G3.1 If so, is this strategy: [G3.1.2 - incorporated into a comprehensive multisectoral national tobacco control strategy (in line with Article 5.1 of the Convention)?]

No

G3p1[G2p3]. G3.1 If so, is this strategy: [G3.1.3 - incorporated into another national strategy with broader scope (e.g. national health, public health, health promotion strategy or programme)]

Yes

G3p2. G3.2 Please provide details, as appropriate.

The strategy is incorporated in different documents. Reimbursement is regulated in the law for health insurance. The quitline and online support is incorporated in the tobacco law. In letters to parliament targets on cessation and several additional programs are mentioned, such as Stoptober.

G4[G4p1]. G4 If you have developed national cessation strategy and treatment guidelines, do they have the following key characteristics? (Section "Develop and disseminate comprehensive guidelines") [G4.1 - was their development protected from all actual and potential conflicts of interest?]

Yes

G4[G4p2]. G4 If you have developed national cessation strategy and treatment guidelines, do they have the following key characteristics? (Section "Develop and disseminate comprehensive guidelines") [G4.2 - were they developed in collaboration with key stakeholders, including but not limited to, health scientists, health professional organizations, health-care workers, educators, youth workers, nongovernmental organizations with relevant expertise in this area?]

Yes

G4[G4p3]. G4 If you have developed national cessation strategy and treatment guidelines, do they have the following key characteristics? (Section "Develop and disseminate comprehensive guidelines") [G4.3 - were they commissioned or led by government, but in active partnership and consultation with other key stakeholders?]

Yes

G4p4. G4.4 If you responded "yes" to any of the above questions, please provide details.

Treatment guidelines are developed by various stakeholders (farma companies excluded), the government provided financial support for development

G5[G5p1]. G5 Do you ensure that recording of the tobacco use status is mandatory in (Section "Make the recording of tobacco use in medical notes mandatory" under the Guidelines): [G5.1 - all medical notes?]

Other

G5[G5p2]. G5 Do you ensure that recording of the tobacco use status is mandatory in (Section "Make the recording of tobacco use in medical notes mandatory" under the Guidelines): [G5.2 - in death certification?]

Other

G5p3. G5.3 Please provide details, as appropriate.

Recording the tobacco use status is not mandatory, but is put in practice by some (groups of) practitioners. In Perined (registrationsystem for birth data) tobacco use status is incorporated.

G6[G6p1]. G6 Have you considered a sustainable source of funding for cessation help by utilizing (Section "Establish a sustainable source of funding for cessation help" under the Guidelines): [G6.1 - designated tobacco taxes?]

G6[G6p2]. G6 Have you considered a sustainable source of funding for cessation help by utilizing (Section "Establish a sustainable source of funding for cessation help" under the Guidelines): [G6.2 -tobacco manufacturing and/or importing licensing fees?]

G6[G6p3]. G6 Have you considered a sustainable source of funding for cessation help by utilizing (Section "Establish a sustainable source of funding for cessation help" under the Guidelines): [G6.3 - tobacco product registration fees?]

G6[G6p4]. G6 Have you considered a sustainable source of funding for cessation help by utilizing (Section "Establish a sustainable source of funding for cessation help" under the Guidelines): [G6.4 - tobacco selling licences for distributors and retailers?]

G6[G6p5]. G6 Have you considered a sustainable source of funding for cessation help by utilizing (Section "Establish a sustainable source of funding for cessation help" under the Guidelines): [G6.5 - noncompliance fees levied on the tobacco industry and retailers, such as administrative monetary penalties?]

G6[G6p6]. G6 Have you considered a sustainable source of funding for cessation help by utilizing (Section "Establish a sustainable source of funding for cessation help" under the Guidelines): [G6.6 - annual tobacco surveillance/control fees for the tobacco industry and retailers?]

G6p7. G6.7 Please provide details, as appropriate.

G7[G7p1]. G7 Have you integrated brief advice into the following structures of your health-care system (Section "Establish population-level approaches" under the Guidelines): [G7.1 - primary health care?]

Yes

G7[G7p2]. G7 Have you integrated brief advice into the following structures of your health-care system (Section "Establish population-level approaches" under the Guidelines): [G7.2 - secondary and tertiary health care?]

Yes

G7[G7p3]. G7 Have you integrated brief advice into the following structures of your health-care system (Section “Establish population-level approaches” under the Guidelines): [G7.3 - specialist health-care systems?]

Yes

G7p4. G7.4 Please provide details, as appropriate.

A brief quit advice is part of the treatment guidelines (minimal Intervention Strategy). Midwives give such advices regularly and have incorporated it in their procedures and training skills. General practitioners, dentist and specialists are more incommunicative.

G8. G8 What percentage of health-care workers have been trained in providing brief advice? (Section “Establish population-level approaches” under the Guidelines)

G9p1[G9p1p1]. G9.1 If yes, please indicate whether the quitline services have the following characteristics: [G9.1.1 - are they free of charge?]

G9p1[G9p1p2]. G9.1 If yes, please indicate whether the quitline services have the following characteristics: [G9.1.2 - do they offer proactive support?]

G9p1[G9p1p3]. G9.1 If yes, please indicate whether the quitline services have the following characteristics: [G9.1.3 - do they provide reactive support?]

G9p1[G9p1p4]. G9.1 If yes, please indicate whether the quitline services have the following characteristics: [G9.1.4 - are they are widely publicized and advertised?]

G9p1[G9p1p5]. G9.1 If yes, please indicate whether the quitline services have the following characteristics: [G9.1.5 - is the quitline number included on tobacco product packaging?]

G9p2. G9.2 Please provide details, as appropriate.

G10. G10 Is any NRT or any other pharmaceutical cessation product on your country’s essential drugs lists? (Section “Make medications available” under the Guidelines)

No

G10p1. G10.1 If yes, please indicate the year in which such product(s) was/were placed on the list and provide other details, as appropriate.

G11[G11p1]. G11 Is there any new and innovative approach to promoting tobacco cessation and providing tobacco dependence treatment used in your jurisdiction? Please indicate whether one or more approaches from the following list are applicable to your case (Section “Consider emerging research evidence and novel approaches and media” under the Guidelines): [G11.1 - celebration of a national No-Smoking Day]

G11[G11p2]. G11 Is there any new and innovative approach to promoting tobacco cessation and providing tobacco dependence treatment used in your jurisdiction? Please indicate whether one or more approaches from the following list are applicable to your case (Section “Consider emerging research evidence and novel approaches and media” under the Guidelines): [G11.2 - cell phone text messaging]

Yes

G11[G11p3]. G11 Is there any new and innovative approach to promoting tobacco cessation and providing tobacco dependence treatment used in your jurisdiction? Please indicate whether one or more approaches from the following list are applicable to your case (Section “Consider emerging research evidence and novel approaches and media” under the Guidelines): [G11.3 - internet-based behaviour support]

Yes

G11[G11p4]. G11 Is there any new and innovative approach to promoting tobacco cessation and providing tobacco dependence treatment used in your jurisdiction? Please indicate whether one or more approaches from the following list are applicable to your case (Section “Consider emerging research evidence and novel approaches and media” under the Guidelines): [G11.4 - use of electronic media, such as radio, for delivering cessation messages]

Yes

G11[G11p5]. G11 Is there any new and innovative approach to promoting tobacco cessation and providing tobacco dependence treatment used in your jurisdiction? Please indicate whether one or more approaches from the following list are applicable to your case (Section "Consider emerging research evidence and novel approaches and media" under the Guidelines): [G11.5 - local media which have wide access at the grass-roots level]

Yes

G11[G11p6]. G11 Is there any new and innovative approach to promoting tobacco cessation and providing tobacco dependence treatment used in your jurisdiction? Please indicate whether one or more approaches from the following list are applicable to your case (Section "Consider emerging research evidence and novel approaches and media" under the Guidelines): [G11.6 - use of cytisine in tobacco dependence treatment]

G11p1. G11.1.1 If yes, on which date is No-Smoking Day held?

G11p7. G11.7 Please provide details or refer to any other approach used, as appropriate

Stoptober is a quit campaign at grassroots level, it is based on social support and a positive experience with quitting

G12[G12p1]. G12 Do you monitor and evaluate tobacco cessation and tobacco dependence treatment strategies and programmes (Section "Monitoring and evaluation" under the Guidelines): [G12.1 - to observe trends?]

G12[G12p2]. G12 Do you monitor and evaluate tobacco cessation and tobacco dependence treatment strategies and programmes (Section "Monitoring and evaluation" under the Guidelines): [G12.2 - to monitor treatment outcomes?]

Yes

G12p3. G12.3 If you responded "yes" to any of these questions, please give examples of process and outcome indicators used during the monitoring and evaluation of strategies and programmes.

The prevalence of smokers and the effect of Stoptober is monitored.

## H. Article 6

H1[H1p1]. H1 When establishing your taxation rates, with a view to making tobacco products less affordable over time, have you taken into account the following? (Section 3.2 under the Guidelines for implementation of Article 6) [H1.1 - price elasticity of tobacco products]

Yes

H1[H1p2]. H1 When establishing your taxation rates, with a view to making tobacco products less affordable over time, have you taken into account the following? (Section 3.2 under the Guidelines for implementation of Article 6) [H1.2 - income elasticity of demand]

No

H1[H1p3]. H1 When establishing your taxation rates, with a view to making tobacco products less affordable over time, have you taken into account the following? (Section 3.2 under the Guidelines for implementation of Article 6) [H1.3 - inflation]

Yes

H1[H1p4]. H1 When establishing your taxation rates, with a view to making tobacco products less affordable over time, have you taken into account the following? (Section 3.2 under the Guidelines for implementation of Article 6) [H1.4 - changes in household income]

No

H1p5. H1.5 Please provide details as appropriate; also refer to any other items that will be taken into account when establishing your taxation rates.

Cross-border shopping, prices in neighbouring countries, price differences and cross elasticity of various tobacco products.

H2. H2 In the past ten years, how frequently have you adjusted the tobacco tax rates applied in order to reduce consumption? (Section 3.2 under the Guidelines for implementation of Article 6)

less often

H2p1. H2.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.
In the Coalition Agreement (2017—2021) 'Confidence in the Future' of October 10, 2017, the following was mentioned in the paragraph 'Preventive healthcare and health promotion': - We support the goal of creating a smoke-free generation and will therefore increase excise duty on tobacco. Problematic alcohol use will also be addressed.
H3p1[H3p1p1_SQ001]. H3.1 Please indicate the types of taxes applied to different tobacco product categories. [H3.1.1 - smoking tobacco products][excise tax]
1
H3p1[H3p1p1_SQ002]. H3.1 Please indicate the types of taxes applied to different tobacco product categories. [H3.1.1 - smoking tobacco products][import tax]
1
H3p1[H3p1p1_SQ003]. H3.1 Please indicate the types of taxes applied to different tobacco product categories. [H3.1.1 - smoking tobacco products][VAT]
1
H3p1[H3p1p1_SQ004]. H3.1 Please indicate the types of taxes applied to different tobacco product categories. [H3.1.1 - smoking tobacco products][other (please specify under H3.3)]
H3p1[H3p1p2_SQ001]. H3.1 Please indicate the types of taxes applied to different tobacco product categories. [H3.1.2 - smokeless tobacco][excise tax]
H3p1[H3p1p2_SQ002]. H3.1 Please indicate the types of taxes applied to different tobacco product categories. [H3.1.2 - smokeless tobacco][import tax]
1
H3p1[H3p1p2_SQ003]. H3.1 Please indicate the types of taxes applied to different tobacco product categories. [H3.1.2 - smokeless tobacco][VAT]
1
H3p1[H3p1p2_SQ004]. H3.1 Please indicate the types of taxes applied to different tobacco product categories. [H3.1.2 - smokeless tobacco][other (please specify under H3.3)]
H3p1[H3p1p3_SQ001]. H3.1 Please indicate the types of taxes applied to different tobacco product categories. [H3.1.3 - water pipe tobacco][excise tax]
1
H3p1[H3p1p3_SQ002]. H3.1 Please indicate the types of taxes applied to different tobacco product categories. [H3.1.3 - water pipe tobacco][import tax]
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H3p1[H3p1p3_SQ003]. H3.1 Please indicate the types of taxes applied to different tobacco product categories. [H3.1.3 - water pipe tobacco][VAT]
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H3p1[H3p1p3_SQ004]. H3.1 Please indicate the types of taxes applied to different tobacco product categories. [H3.1.3 - water pipe tobacco][other (please specify under H3.3)]
H3p1[H3p1p4_SQ001]. H3.1 Please indicate the types of taxes applied to different tobacco product categories. [H3.1.4 - ENDS / ENNDS, including devices, liquids or cartridges][excise tax]
H3p1[H3p1p4_SQ002]. H3.1 Please indicate the types of taxes applied to different tobacco product categories. [H3.1.4 - ENDS / ENNDS, including devices, liquids or cartridges][import tax]
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H3p1[H3p1p4_SQ003]. H3.1 Please indicate the types of taxes applied to different tobacco product categories. [H3.1.4 - ENDS / ENNDS, including devices, liquids or cartridges][VAT]
1

H3p1[H3p1p4\_SQ004]. H3.1 Please indicate the types of taxes applied to different tobacco product categories. [H3.1.4 - ENDS / ENNDS, including devices, liquids or cartridges][other (please specify under H3.3)]

H3p1[H3p1p5\_SQ001]. H3.1 Please indicate the types of taxes applied to different tobacco product categories. [H3.1.5 - novel tobacco products][excise tax]

1

H3p1[H3p1p5\_SQ002]. H3.1 Please indicate the types of taxes applied to different tobacco product categories. [H3.1.5 - novel tobacco products][import tax]

1

H3p1[H3p1p5\_SQ003]. H3.1 Please indicate the types of taxes applied to different tobacco product categories. [H3.1.5 - novel tobacco products][VAT]

1

H3p1[H3p1p5\_SQ004]. H3.1 Please indicate the types of taxes applied to different tobacco product categories. [H3.1.5 - novel tobacco products][other (please specify under H3.3)]

H3p2[H3p2p1]. H3.2 Specifically, are the following products taxed in a way comparable to manufactured cigarettes? [H3.2.1 - roll your own tobacco]

Other

H3p2[H3p2p2]. H3.2 Specifically, are the following products taxed in a way comparable to manufactured cigarettes? [H3.2.2 - smokeless tobacco products]

Other

H3p2[H3p2p3]. H3.2 Specifically, are the following products taxed in a way comparable to manufactured cigarettes? [H3.2.3 - water pipe tobacco]

Other

H3p2[H3p2p4]. H3.2 Specifically, are the following products taxed in a way comparable to manufactured cigarettes? [H3.2.4 - ENDS/ENNDS]

Other

H3p2[H3p2p5]. H3.2 Specifically, are the following products taxed in a way comparable to manufactured cigarettes? [H3.2.5 - other (please specify under H3.3)]

H3p2p6. H3.2.6 If other: Please specify:

H3p3. H3.3 Please provide details, as appropriate.

Rates per January 1, 2018

Cigars: Excise --> Ad-valorem 5% of the Retail selling price, VAT -->21%

Cigarettes: Excise --> Ad-valorem 5% of the Retail selling price, specific excise of€ 16646 per 1.000 pieces, minimum 181,59 euro, VAT--> 21%

Smoking tobacco: Excise --> specific excise of € 99,25 per kilogramme. VAT --> 21%

Also water pipe products, roll-your-own, novel Tobacco products (if tobacco is included). ENDS are only included if the product contains tobacco.

H4. H4 Have you adopted and implemented measures and systems of storage and production warehouses to facilitate excise controls on tobacco products? (Section 4.2 under the Guidelines for implementation of Article 6)

Other

H5[H5p1]. H5 Do you require by the law: [H5.1 - that the tax payment remitted at fixed intervals or on a fixed date?]

Yes

H5[H5p2]. H5 Do you require by the law: [H5.2 - the reporting of production and/or sales volumes?]

Other

H5[H5p3]. H5 Do you require by the law: [H5.3 - the reporting of price?]

Other

H5[H5p4]. H5 Do you require by the law: [H5.4 - the reporting of taxes due and paid?]

Yes

H5[H5p5]. H5 Do you require by the law: [H5.5 - the reporting of volumes of raw material inputs?]  
Other

H5[H5p6]. H5 Do you require by the law: [H5.6 - the reporting of allowing for the public disclosure of the information contained within the reports?]  
Other

H6. H6 Have you considered on imposing effective anti-forestalling measures? (Section 4.3 under the Guidelines for implementation of Article 6)  
No

H6p1. H6.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.  
The anti-forestalling measures have no link to the FCTC.

H7. H7 Have you required application of fiscal markings to increase compliance with tax laws? (Section 4.4 under the Guidelines for implementation of Article 6)  
No

H7p1. H7.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.  
The fiscal markings were already in place prior to the FCTC.

H8[H8p1]. H8 Have you: (Section 4.5 under the Guidelines for implementation of Article 6) [H8.1 - clearly designated and granted appropriate powers to tax enforcement authorities?]  
No

H8[H8p2]. H8 Have you: (Section 4.5 under the Guidelines for implementation of Article 6) [H8.2 - provided for an appropriate range of penalties for non-compliance with tax laws?]  
No

H8p3. H8.3 Please provide details, as appropriate.  
The aforementioned powers were already in place prior to the FCTC.

## I. Articles 17 and 18

I1[I1p1]. I1 Do you promote research in the following areas? [I1.1 - assessment of the tobacco sector]

I1[I1p2]. I1 Do you promote research in the following areas? [I1.2 - economics of raw tobacco production]

I1[I1p3]. I1 Do you promote research in the following areas? [I1.3 - demand forecast studies on food crops]

I1[I1p4]. I1 Do you promote research in the following areas? [I1.4 - standard information set for alternatives]

I1[I1p5]. I1 Do you promote research in the following areas? [I1.5 - comparing the impacts of tobacco growing to those of alternative crops]

I1[I1p6]. I1 Do you promote research in the following areas? [I1.6 - field trials to establish the viability of alternative crops]

I1[I1p7]. I1 Do you promote research in the following areas? [I1.7 - health and environmental impact of tobacco growing]

I1p8. I1.8 Please provide details as appropriate; please also provide a brief summary of outcomes of the research (provide the report of the study, a link etc. if appropriate):  
In the Netherlands, tobacco growing does not occur in the Netherlands.  
Workers at the tobacco industry and individual sellers have the opportunity to start re-education. The Employee Insurance Agency (UWV) provides several types of support for re-education. This agency provides advice and also financial support when employees want to change job.

I2[I2p1]. I2 Have you developed any educational and training programmes in relation to alternative livelihoods for: [I2.1 - workers?]

I2[I2p2]. I2 Have you developed any educational and training programmes in relation to alternative livelihoods for: [I2.2 - growers?]

I2[I2p3]. I2 Have you developed any educational and training programmes in relation to alternative livelihoods for: [I2.3 - farmers?]

I2[I2p4]. I2 Have you developed any educational and training programmes in relation to alternative livelihoods for: [I2.4 - any other related group? (please specify under I2.5)]

I2p5. I2.5 Please provide details as appropriate.

I3[I3p1]. I3 Do you consider the following obstacles as the most important barriers to introducing alternative livelihood programmes? [I3.1 - limited financial help for shifting]

I3[I3p2]. I3 Do you consider the following obstacles as the most important barriers to introducing alternative livelihood programmes? [I3.2 - lobbying by the tobacco industry or its front groups]

I3[I3p3]. I3 Do you consider the following obstacles as the most important barriers to introducing alternative livelihood programmes? [I3.3 - fears of farmers and workers of losing a secure income]

I3p4. I3.4 Please provide details, as appropriate; please also add any other obstacles you feel are relevant.

I4p1. I4.1 Please provide details as appropriate.

I5p1. I5.1 Please provide details as appropriate.

I6p1. I6.1 Please provide details as appropriate.

I7[I7p1]. I7 Have you included any of the following components in your programmes to support alternative livelihoods? (Section "Establishing mechanisms within the existing system to support alternative livelihoods" under the Policy options and recommendations on economically sustainable alternatives to tobacco growing) [I7.1 - rural credit]

I7[I7p2]. I7 Have you included any of the following components in your programmes to support alternative livelihoods? (Section "Establishing mechanisms within the existing system to support alternative livelihoods" under the Policy options and recommendations on economically sustainable alternatives to tobacco growing) [I7.2 - secured market for the new crop]

I7[I7p3]. I7 Have you included any of the following components in your programmes to support alternative livelihoods? (Section "Establishing mechanisms within the existing system to support alternative livelihoods" under the Policy options and recommendations on economically sustainable alternatives to tobacco growing) [I7.3 - family farming price assurance]

I7[I7p4]. I7 Have you included any of the following components in your programmes to support alternative livelihoods? (Section "Establishing mechanisms within the existing system to support alternative livelihoods" under the Policy options and recommendations on economically sustainable alternatives to tobacco growing) [I7.4 - technical assistance, including information and support, and rural extension]

I7[I7p5]. I7 Have you included any of the following components in your programmes to support alternative livelihoods? (Section "Establishing mechanisms within the existing system to support alternative livelihoods" under the Policy options and recommendations on economically sustainable alternatives to tobacco growing) [I7.5 - infrastructure and services]

I7[I7p6]. I7 Have you included any of the following components in your programmes to support alternative livelihoods? (Section "Establishing mechanisms within the existing system to support alternative livelihoods" under the Policy options and recommendations on economically sustainable alternatives to tobacco growing) [I7.6 - crop and income insurance]

I7p7. I7.7 Please provide details, as appropriate; also add any other relevant measures included.

I8p1. I8.1 If yes, please describe these indicators:

I9p1. I9.1 If yes, please provide examples.

## J. Novel tobacco products

J000. Smokeless Tobacco Products

J1. J1 Are there any smokeless tobacco products available in your national market?

Yes

J1p1[J1p1p1]. J1.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [I1.1 - chewing Tobacco]

Yes

J1p1[J1p1p2]. J1.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [I1.2 - snuff]

Yes

J1p1[J1p1p3]. J1.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [I1.3 - snus]

No

J1p1[J1p1p4]. J1.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [I1.4 - dissolvable tobacco]

No

J1p1[J1p1p5]. J1.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [I1.5 - blackbull]

No

J1p1[J1p1p6]. J1.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [I1.6 - dipping tobacco]

No

J1p1[J1p1p7]. J1.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [I1.7 - creamy snuff]

No

J1p1[J1p1p8]. J1.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [I1.8 - tobacco gum]

No

J1p1[J1p1p9]. J1.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [I1.9 - topical tobacco paste]

No

J1p1[J1p1p10]. J1.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [I1.10 - tobacco water]

No

J1p1[J1p1p11]. J1.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [I1.11 - orbs]

No

J1p1[J1p1p12]. J1.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [I1.12 - gutka]

No

J1p1[J1p1p13]. J1.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [I1.13 - other products]

Yes

J1p1p13p1. J1.1.13.1 Please provide details as appropriate.

I1.3: snus is banned in The Netherlands  
I1.4-12: It is not known if these products are sold on a regular base in The Netherlands. Some of these products might be banned under the Dutch Tobacco Act.  
I1.13: HNB products

J1p2. J1.2 Please provide details, as appropriate.

J2. J2 Are flavoured smokeless tobacco products available in your country?

Yes

J2p1[J2p1p1]. J2.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J2.1.1 - mint]

Yes

J2p1[J2p1p2]. J2.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J2.1.2 - wintergreen]

Other

J2p1[J2p1p3]. J2.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J2.1.3 - straight]

Other

J2p1[J2p1p4]. J2.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J2.1.4 - classic]

Other

J2p1[J2p1p5]. J2.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J2.1.5 - spearmint]

Other

J2p1[J2p1p6]. J2.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J2.1.6 - cherry]

Other

J2p1[J2p1p7]. J2.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J2.1.7 - berry blend]

Other

J2p1[J2p1p8]. J2.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J2.1.8 vanilla]

Other

J2p1[J2p1p9]. J2.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J2.1.9 apple blend]

Other

J2p1[J2p1p10]. J2.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J2.1.10 peach]

Other

J2p1[J2p1p11]. J2.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J2.1.11 whiskey blend]

Other

J2p1[J2p1p12]. J2.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J2.1.12 smooth hickory]

Other

J2p1[J2p1p13]. J2.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J2.1.13 natural]

Other

J2p1[J2p1p14]. J2.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J2.1.14 southern blend]

Other

J2p1[J2p1p15]. J2.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J2.1.15 chocolate]

Other

J2p1[J2p1p16]. J2.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J2.1.16 strawberry]

Other

J2p1[J2p1p17]. J2.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J2.1.17 cinnamon]

Other

J2p1[J2p1p18]. J2.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J2.1.18 menthol]  
Yes

J2p1[J2p1p19]. J2.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J2.1.19 citrus blend]  
Other

J2p1[J2p1p20]. J2.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J2.1.20 grape]  
Other

J2p1[J2p1p21]. J2.1 If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J2.1.21 Other flavours (please specify under J2.1.22)]  
Other

J2p1p21p1. J2.1.21.1 Please specify:

J2p2. J2.2 Please provide details, as appropriate.  
Since most smokeless tobacco products are not sold on a regular base in The Netherlands, no information is available about the availability of these flavors besides menthol.

J3[J3p1]. J3 Is smokeless tobacco regulated under tobacco control law(s) or any other public health law? [J3.1 - under the tobacco control law]  
Yes

J3[J3p2]. J3 Is smokeless tobacco regulated under tobacco control law(s) or any other public health law? [J3.2 - under food safety laws]  
No

J3[J3p3]. J3 Is smokeless tobacco regulated under tobacco control law(s) or any other public health law? [J3.3 - other law(s) (please specify under J3.5)]  
No

J3[J3p4]. J3 Is smokeless tobacco regulated under tobacco control law(s) or any other public health law? [J3.4 - not regulated by law]  
No

J3p3p1. J3.3.1 Please specify:

J3p5. J3.5 Please provide details, as appropriate. Please quote or attach any relevant legislative text.

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J4. J4 Do you apply any policy or regulation that is specific to smokeless tobacco products?  
Yes

J4p1. J4.1 If yes, please list the areas where such specific policies apply.  
There is specific regulation for the labeling of smokeless tobacco products. Among others the minimum age for selling tobacco (18 years) and the advertising/promotion ban do apply on smokeless tobacco products.

J5. J5 Do you have any further comments regarding your country's experience with these products (such as marketing techniques used, health claims made, use in smoke-free places or any difficulties encountered when trying to enact regulation)?

J6. J6 Have you (or someone on your behalf) conducted any scientific analyses on these products, including on the contents, emissions or their health effects?  
No

J6p1. J6.1 If yes, what were the conclusions of the study? (you can also attach the summary of the outcome)

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J7. J7 Are there any ENDS/ENNDS available in your national market?  
Yes

J7p0[J7p1]. If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J7.1 - electronic cigarettes]  
Yes

J7p0[J7p2]. If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J7.2 - electronic shisha]  
Yes

J7p0[J7p3]. If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J7.3 - alternative cigarettes]  
Other

J7p0[J7p4]. If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J7.4 - electro-smoke]  
Other

J7p0[J7p5]. If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J7.5 - green cig]  
Other

J7p0[J7p6]. If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J7.6 - smartsmoker]  
Other

J7p0[J7p7]. If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J7.7 - V2 cigs]  
Yes

J7p0[J7p8]. If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J7.8 - pen e-Cigarette, e-pens]  
Yes

J7p0[J7p9]. If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J7.9 - e-cigars]  
Yes

J7p0[J7p10]. If you have responded "yes", which one of these? [J7.10 - other (please specify below)]

J7p10p1. J7.10.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

J7p11. J7.11 Please provide details, as appropriate.  
In The Netherlands a wide range of e-cigarettes are available. For some of the mentioned ENDS/ENNDS it is not known if they are sold in The Netherlands on a regular base.

J8[J8p1]. J8 What type or categories of ENDS/ENNDS are available for sale in your country? [J8.1 - with tobacco extract]  
Yes

J8[J8p2]. J8 What type or categories of ENDS/ENNDS are available for sale in your country? [J8.2 - with nicotine]  
Yes

J8[J8p3]. J8 What type or categories of ENDS/ENNDS are available for sale in your country? [J8.3 - with nicotine and tobacco extract]  
Yes

J8[J8p4]. J8 What type or categories of ENDS/ENNDS are available for sale in your country? [J8.4 - with neither nicotine nor tobacco extract]  
Yes

J8p5. J8.5 Please provide details, as appropriate.

J9[1]. J9 If flavoured ENDS products are available, please list those flavours that are most popular. (select up to three flavours.)  
[Rank 1]

J9.21 - other flavours (please specify under J9.21.1)

J9p21p1. J9.21.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

Mostly tobacco flavour. In addition menthol, strawberry, apple, vanilla, chocolate, caramel.

J10[J10p1]. J10 Where are ENDS/ENNDS legally sold in your country? [J10.1 - in pharmacies]

No

J10[J10p2]. J10 Where are ENDS/ENNDS legally sold in your country? [J10.2 - in convenience stores]

Yes

J10[J10p3]. J10 Where are ENDS/ENNDS legally sold in your country? [J10.3 - in supermarkets]

Yes

J10[J10p4]. J10 Where are ENDS/ENNDS legally sold in your country? [J10.4 - in kiosks]

Yes

J10[J10p5]. J10 Where are ENDS/ENNDS legally sold in your country? [J10.5 - via the Internet - from inside the country]

Yes

J10[J10p6]. J10 Where are ENDS/ENNDS legally sold in your country? [J10.6 - via the Internet - from outside the country?]

Yes

J10[J10p7]. J10 Where are ENDS/ENNDS legally sold in your country? [J10.7 - other (please specify below)]

Yes

J10p7p1. J10.7.1 Please specify:

ENDS/ENNDS are also sold in shops specialized in selling these ENDS/ENNDS products.

J10p8. J10.8 Please provide details, as appropriate. Please quote or attach any relevant legislative text.

J11[J11p1]. J11 How are ENDS/ENNDS regulated in your country? (selected all that apply) [J11.1 - as tobacco products]

Yes

J11[J11p2]. J11 How are ENDS/ENNDS regulated in your country? (selected all that apply) [J11.2 - as medicinal products]

Other

J11[J11p3]. J11 How are ENDS/ENNDS regulated in your country? (selected all that apply) [J11.3 - as consumer products]

Other

J11[J11p4]. J11 How are ENDS/ENNDS regulated in your country? (selected all that apply) [J11.4 - as other category (please specify below)]

J11p4p1. J11.4.1 Please specify:

J11p5. J11.5 Please provide details, as appropriate. Please quote or attach any relevant legislative text.

ENDS/ENNDS are regulated in the Dutch Tobacco Act:

- Tabaks- en rookwarenwet

- Tabaks- en rookwarebesluit

- Tabaks- en rookwarenregeling

These document can be found at: <http://wetten.overheid.nl/zoeken>

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J12. J12 Are the regulations for ENDS and ENNDS different?

No

J12p1. J12.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.
From July 1st, 2018 similar legislation will come into force for electronic cigarettes and e-liquids without nicotine as for these products with nicotine.
J13[J13p1]. J13 Are there any policies or regulations in force, issued by the competent government authority in the country, specific to ENDS/ENNDS to the following area? [J13.1 - advertising, promotion and sponsorship]
Yes
J13[J13p2]. J13 Are there any policies or regulations in force, issued by the competent government authority in the country, specific to ENDS/ENNDS to the following area? [J13.2 - use in enclosed public places (in relation to existing smoke free legislation)]
No
J13[J13p3]. J13 Are there any policies or regulations in force, issued by the competent government authority in the country, specific to ENDS/ENNDS to the following area? [J13.3 - use in outdoor public places (in relation to existing smoke free legislation)]
No
J13[J13p4]. J13 Are there any policies or regulations in force, issued by the competent government authority in the country, specific to ENDS/ENNDS to the following area? [J13.4 - taxation]
No
J13[J13p5]. J13 Are there any policies or regulations in force, issued by the competent government authority in the country, specific to ENDS/ENNDS to the following area? [J13.5 - sales to minors]
Yes
J13[J13p6]. J13 Are there any policies or regulations in force, issued by the competent government authority in the country, specific to ENDS/ENNDS to the following area? [J13.6 - licensing of the vendors]
No
J13p7. J13.7 Please provide details, as appropriate.
J14[J14p1]. J14 Are ENDS marketed as any of the following in your country? (Select all that apply) [J14.1 - reduced harm products]
Yes
J14[J14p2]. J14 Are ENDS marketed as any of the following in your country? (Select all that apply) [J14.2 - smoking cessation aid]
Yes
J14[J14p3]. J14 Are ENDS marketed as any of the following in your country? (Select all that apply) [J14.3 - product that can be used anywhere]
Yes
J14[J14p4]. J14 Are ENDS marketed as any of the following in your country? (Select all that apply) [J14.4 - other (please specify under J14.5)]
J14p5. J14.5 Please provide details, as appropriate.
Although sometimes the products are marketed this way, not all this kind of marketing is allowed under the ban on advertising and promotion.
J15. J15 Please indicate, where available, the volume of sales (by year, including trends) of products listed under question J1/J1.1 and J2/J2.1.
J16. J16 Have you (or someone on your behalf) conducted any scientific analyses on these products, including on the contents, emissions or their health effects?
Yes

J16p1. J16.1 If yes, what were the conclusions of the study? (you can also attach the summary of the outcome)

Electronic cigarettes, or e-cigarettes, vaporize a liquid that often contains nicotine and flavorants. Although e-cigarettes are less harmful than Tobacco cigarettes, the e-cigarette vapor contains several ingredients and chemical impurities such as nicotine, propylene glycol, glycerol, aldehydes, nitrosamines and metals at concentrations that can be detrimental to health. Inhalation of these substances can lead to irritation of and/or damage to the respiratory tract, palpitations and an increased risk of developing cancer. These health effects are, however, less severe than those associated with smoking tobacco, which include lung cancer, heart attack and stroke, pulmonary emphysema, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), and oral, tongue, esophageal, stomach and bladder cancer. The Dutch National Institute for Public Health and the Environment (RIVM) performed a survey on e-cigarette users, performed measurements and assessed the risks. The study was performed on behalf of the ministry of Health, Welfare and Sport (VWS) because of the substantial increase in e-cigarette users, and the uncertainties surrounding the health effects of e-cigarette use. In this study, the RIVM assessed the possible health risks associated with exposure to the substances in e-cigarette vapor. In 2015, the RIVM will assess the possible health effects resulting from exposure to the compounds present in exhaled vapor. Findings regarding users The survey on Dutch e-cigarette users showed that the main reasons for e-cigarette use were that people presumed it to be less harmful than regular cigarettes, and to help them to quit smoking. Of the many brands and models available, refillable e-cigarettes were the most popular. Virtually all users had smoked tobacco prior to using e-cigarettes and most were dual users continuing to smoke tobacco in addition to e-cigarettes. There were large behavioral differences between 'vapers', for instance there were large variances in the number of puffs reported per day. E-liquid and vapor composition Considerable differences were observed in the composition of different kinds of e-liquid available on the Dutch market and that of the resulting vapor. In some cases, the amount of nicotine in the e-liquid did not match the declared amount on the packaging. The concentration of some compounds was found to be higher in the vapor than in the liquid. Aldehydes are formed when the e-liquids are heated, and metals are released from the atomizer. Propylene glycol and glycerol function as a 'carrier liquid' for nicotine and flavorants.

See: <http://www.rivm.nl/dsresource?objectid=ac132e91-42a4-409a-a849-6579360e54d3&type=org&disposition=inline>

One fourth of e-cigarette users started using this product to reduce exposure of bystanders (passive smoking). However, e-cigarette users also exhale harmful compounds, including propylene glycol, nicotine and nitrosamines. The composition of the e-liquid, the vaping intensity (frequency and inhalation), and the ventilation and dimensions of the room in which e-cigarettes are being used have a large bearing on the amounts of harmful compounds that are exhaled and, consequently, on the extent to which health risks can occur. The Dutch National Institute for Public Health and the Environment (RIVM) conducted research on the health risks of e-cigarette use to bystanders, on behalf of the ministry of Health, Welfare and Sport (VWS) Harmful components are partially retained by 'vapers' after inhalation. Because e-cigarettes are only active when users take a puff, e-cigarettes do not continue to smolder between puffs. Therefore, e-cigarettes do not emit harmful compounds when no puff is being taken, in contrast to tobacco cigarettes. Depending on the conditions, bystanders may experience mild irritation of the throat, nose and eyes. Many vapers (78 percent) use nicotine-containing e-liquids. As a result, bystanders may experience palpitations and increased blood pressure. These effects do not occur when nicotine-free liquids are used. For this investigation, the RIVM measured the chemical composition of the breath exhaled by e-cigarette users. Only toxicological health risks have been considered. The conclusions are based on the most recent insights regarding the health risks of compounds upon inhalation. For some compounds, insufficient data is available to establish whether they present risks to human health. We therefore recommend to continue to monitor closely new developments regarding the health effects of ecigarettes to bystanders and users.

See: <http://www.rivm.nl/dsresource?objectid=f7ffb967-98ed-4290-a4cf-7e9fcc189e74&type=org&disposition=inline>

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J17. J17 Do you have any further comments regarding your country's experience with these products (such as marketing techniques used, health claims made, use in smoke-free places or any difficulties encountered when trying to enact regulation)?

J001. Water Pipe Tobacco

J18. J18 Is there any water pipe tobacco available in your national market?

Yes

J18p1. J18.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.

J19. J19 Are flavoured water pipe tobacco products available in your country?
Yes
J19p1. J19.1 Please provide details, as appropriate.
J20[J20p1]. J20 Where are water pipe tobacco sold in your country? [J20.1 - in pharmacies]
No
J20[J20p2]. J20 Where are water pipe tobacco sold in your country? [J20.2 - in convenience stores]
Yes
J20[J20p3]. J20 Where are water pipe tobacco sold in your country? [J20.3 - in supermarkets]
Yes
J20[J20p4]. J20 Where are water pipe tobacco sold in your country? [J20.4 - in kiosks]
Yes
J20[J20p5]. J20 Where are water pipe tobacco sold in your country? [J20.5 - via the Internet – from inside the country?]
Yes
J20[J20p6]. J20 Where are water pipe tobacco sold in your country? [J20.6 - via the Internet – from outside the country?]
Yes
J20[J20p7]. J20 Where are water pipe tobacco sold in your country? [J20.7 - other (please specify under J20.8)]
Yes
J20p8. J20.8 Please provide details, as appropriate.
J20.3: Not on a regular base. J20.7: In specific tobacco shops and in 'shisha lounges'.
J21[J21p1]. J21 Is water pipe tobacco regulated under tobacco control laws or any other public health law? [J21.1 - under the tobacco control law]
Yes
J21[J21p2]. J21 Is water pipe tobacco regulated under tobacco control laws or any other public health law? [J21.2 - under food safety laws]
No
J21[J21p3]. J21 Is water pipe tobacco regulated under tobacco control laws or any other public health law? [J21.3 - other law(s) (please specify under J21.5)]
No
J21[J21p4]. J21 Is water pipe tobacco regulated under tobacco control laws or any other public health law? [J21.4 - not regulated by law]
No
J21p5. J21.5 Please provide details, as appropriate. Please quote or attach any relevant legislative text.
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J22[J22p1]. J22 Have you developed and implemented any policy, regulation or programme that is specific to water pipe tobacco use, such as: [J22.1 - taxes applied to accessories used for water pipe tobacco?]
No
J22[J22p2]. J22 Have you developed and implemented any policy, regulation or programme that is specific to water pipe tobacco use, such as: [J22.2 - including water pipe use in the ban of tobacco use in public places?]
Yes

J22[J22p3]. J22 Have you developed and implemented any policy, regulation or programme that is specific to water pipe tobacco use, such as: [J22.3 - banning delivery of water pipes and accessories to homes?]

No

J22[J22p4]. J22 Have you developed and implemented any policy, regulation or programme that is specific to water pipe tobacco use, such as: [J22.4 - specific regulations on the content of water pipe tobacco?]

Yes

J22[J22p5]. J22 Have you developed and implemented any policy, regulation or programme that is specific to water pipe tobacco use, such as: [J22.5 - specific regulations on applying health warnings to water pipe tobacco and accessories?]

Yes

J22[J22p6]. J22 Have you developed and implemented any policy, regulation or programme that is specific to water pipe tobacco use, such as: [J22.6 - mandating the placement of health warning signs in the open areas where water pipe tobacco is served and consumed?]

No

J22[J22p7]. J22 Have you developed and implemented any policy, regulation or programme that is specific to water pipe tobacco use, such as: [J22.7 - implementing campaigns to educate the public on health hazards of water pipe use?]

Yes

J22[J22p8]. J22 Have you developed and implemented any policy, regulation or programme that is specific to water pipe tobacco use, such as: [J22.8 - banning advertisement and promotion of water pipe tobacco and its use?]

Yes

J22[J22p9]. J22 Have you developed and implemented any policy, regulation or programme that is specific to water pipe tobacco use, such as: [J22.9 - implementing campaigns targeted specifically at water pipe tobacco users?]

Yes

J22[J2210]. J22 Have you developed and implemented any policy, regulation or programme that is specific to water pipe tobacco use, such as: [J22.10 - preventing access to water pipe tobacco use by youths through legislation?]

Yes

J22[J2211]. J22 Have you developed and implemented any policy, regulation or programme that is specific to water pipe tobacco use, such as: [J22.11 - prohibiting sales of water pipe tobacco and accessories to and by minors?]

Yes

J22p12. J22.12 If yes, please list the areas where such specific policies apply. Quote or attach any relevant legislative text.

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J23. J23 Have you (or someone on your behalf) conducted any scientific analyses on these products, including on the contents, emissions or their health effects?

Yes

J24. J24 Do you have any further comments regarding your country's experience with these products (such as marketing techniques used, health claims made, use in smoke-free places or any difficulties encountered when trying to enact regulation)? Please include a copy of any regulations which apply to the production, distribution, advertisement and promotion or sale of water pipe tobacco in your country.

J002. Novel Tobacco Products

J25. J25 Please list any novel tobacco products that have appeared in your national market in the last 2 years.

HBN products

J26. J26 Do you have any policy or regulation that is specific to novel tobacco products?

Yes

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J26p1. J26.1 If yes, please list the areas where such specific policies apply.

Among others:

- Sales ban to minors
- Advertising and promotion ban
- Packaging and labeling

J003. Reduced Ignition Propensity (RIP) Cigarettes

J27. J27 Do you legally mandate that cigarettes sold in your country have reduced ignition propensity characteristics?

Yes

J27p1. J27.1 If yes, please provide details, as appropriate.