

**The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission  
and  
The General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine  
of the People's Republic of China**

**Joint Statement  
On Enhancing Consumer Product Safety**

September 11, 2007

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and the General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine of the People's Republic of China (AQSIQ) affirm their desire to protect consumers in both countries from unreasonable risks of serious injury or death from products originating within their respective jurisdictions.

Consistent with the Memorandum of Understanding of April 21, 2004 between CPSC and AQSIQ, and seeking to enhance bilateral cooperation in consumer product safety and the effectiveness of regulatory oversight for consumer products, CPSC and AQSIQ intend to make best efforts to implement the work plans adopted on this date with a view toward improving the safety of Fireworks, Toys, Lighters, and Electrical Products exported to the other country.

With a view toward enhanced regulatory cooperation on the U.S. ban on lead paint in toys and China's relevant quality inspection policy on lead paint contamination, AQSIQ proposes to immediately undertake the creation and implementation of a comprehensive plan to eliminate the use of lead paint on Chinese manufactured toys exported to the United States. CPSC plans to provide consultative support aimed at helping AQSIQ succeed in its efforts. The two agencies intend to review the plan's effectiveness within 12 months of the date of this instrument, in order to identify possible areas for improvement.

In support of the work plans on Fireworks, Toys, Lighters, and Electrical Products, CPSC will endeavor to offer, or facilitate offers of, regulatory and specialized compliance training for Chinese government and industry representatives at locations in the United States or in China. In addition, CPSC will undertake outreach efforts to U.S. importers, stressing their role in quality and safety assurance through thoroughly evaluated product designs and specifications, testing, training, and the communication of U.S. regulations and standards to their Chinese suppliers.

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