Memorandum for Cabinet by the Minister of Trade
Industry & Agriculture

Malta Board of Standards (Amendment) Act 1966

The Malta Board of Standards Act (Act 27 of 1965) empowered the Board to use a standard mark in relation to local goods which attain the approved standards of quality.

According to the principal law, the official standard mark was to be recognised by the 'flower' mark incorporating the letters M.B.S., as appearing in the Schedule of section '8' of Act 27 of 1965.

It has now been considered advisable to allow the original 'flower' mark to be accompanied by the words "Prepared in accordance with Malta Board of Standards Specifications", as the 'flower' mark by itself might have no direct significance to the general public or especially to overseas customers.

The relative amendment will offer no inconvenience whatsoever to any manufacturer as standards scheme has not yet become operational.

Hon. Ministers are asked to approve the proposed amendment to the principal law.