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**INTERIM UPDATE 09-03**

**SUBJECT:** Update of ADS 323, Metric Specifications

**REVISED MATERIAL:** This revised chapter removes two Additional Help references related to an indefinitely deferred European Union metric-only labeling requirement.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** 05/28/2009

**ATTACHMENT:** [ADS 323, Metric Specifications](#)

Policy

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Subject: ADS 323 -- Metric Specifications

The European Union announced May 7, 2009 that it was delaying indefinitely the implementation of its metric-only labeling requirement, which had been scheduled to become effective January 1, 2010. United States exporters to Europe may continue to specify dual units of measurement in packaging, product literature, and advertising.

Accordingly, this notice announces the removal from ADS Chapter 323 of two Additional Help references on this metric-only labeling requirement:

--Business Alert: Metric Only Requirements for the European Union Begin in 2010, U.S. Commercial Service, Department of Commerce, and

--European Union Council Directive 80/181/EEC (Metric Directive).

Access the revised chapter at: <http://www.usaid.gov/policy/ads/300/323.pdf>.

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