

18 July 2022

NOTICE TO RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS

Dear Sir/Ma'am:

This refers to the draft regulations distributed through the World Trade Organization – Technical Barriers to Trade (WTO-TBT) website (www.tbts.wto.org) from 25 June to 01 July 2022.

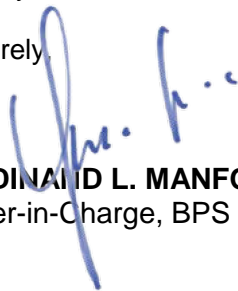
Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the one (1) notified draft technical regulation from one (1) WTO Member Country:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/C/HE/271	Switzerland	Date of Distribution: 28 June 2022 Deadline for Comments: 27 August 2022	Organic products	The amendment proposal for the Ordinance on Organic Farming of 22 September 1997 (RS 910.18) includes the following elements: a) extension fo the scope to pet food; b) clearer provisions on the prohibition of hydroponics, incorporation of the principle of soil-bound cultivation and specification of exceptions (e.g. sprout cultivation, cultivation in pots); d) ban of the use of nanomaterials; e) revision of the procedure for the authorisation of non-organic ingredients of agricultural origin; f) minimum requirements for organic certificates

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Thank you.

Sincerely,



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