

# 21 October 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.epingalert.org) from 08 to 14 October 2022.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the notified draft technical regulations from Burundi and United States:

Document Symbol	Notifyin g Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/BD I/270	Burundi	Date of Distributio n: 13 October 2022  Deadline for Comments: 11 December 2022	Tomato seed (Solanum lycopersicu m)	This Draft East Africa Standard specifies the certification requirements for pre-basic, basic and certified seed certification for tomato seeds (Solanum lycopersicum), eligible varieties, application for certification, field requirements, field inspection, sampling, laboratory testing, certificates, packaging, labelling, and postcontrol tests. This standard also applies to locally produced and imported seeds.
G/TBT/N/US A/1920/Add. 1	United States	Date of Distributio n: 13 October 2022  Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Pesticides for organic production - Addendum	The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) is providing additional time for the public to submit comments and information about how to update the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) organic regulations on inert ingredients in pesticides used in organic

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	production. AMS seeks
	comments on alternatives
	to its existing regulations
	that would align with the
	Organic Foods Production
	Act of 1990 (OFPA) and
	the U.S. Environmental
	Protection Agency's (EPA)
	regulatory framework for
	inert ingredients.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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