

29 August 2023

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 12 to 18 August 2023.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the nine (9) notified draft technical regulations from five (5) WTO Members:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/BDI/225/Add.1	Burundi	Date of Distribution: 17 August 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Fortified sugar - Addendum	Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda would like to inform WTO Members that the Draft East African Standard; DEAS 770: 2022, Fortified sugar — Specification, notified in G/TBT/N/BDI/225, G/TBT/N/KEN/1234, G/TBT/N/RWA/651, G/TBT/N/TZA/726 and G/TBT/N/UGA/1558 was adopted by the East African Community Council of Ministers on 24th February 2023 as EAS 770:2022, Fortified sugar — Specification (2nd Edition)
G/TBT/N/BDI/232/Add.1	Burundi	Date of Distribution: 16 August 2023 Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated	Coffee premix - Addendum	Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda would like to inform WTO Members that the Draft East African Standard; DEAS 1089: 2022, Coffee premix — Specification; notified in G/TBT/N/BDI/232, G/TBT/N/KEN/1243, G/TBT/N/RWA/658, G/TBT/N/TZA/733 and G/TBT/N/UGA/1578 was adopted by the East African Community Council of Ministers on 24th February 2023 as EAS 1089: 2022, Coffee premix — Specification (1st Edition).

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Membership:

- International Organization for Standardization (ISO)
- International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC)
- World Trade Organization (WTO) Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT)
 - National Enquiry Point (NEP)
 - National Notification Authority (NNA)

G/TBT/N/BDI/233/Add.1	Burundi	<p>Date of Distribution: 16 August 2023</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated</p>	Flavored coffee - Addendum	Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda would like to inform WTO Members that the Draft East African Standard; DEAS 1087: 2022, Flavored coffee — Specification; notified in G/TBT/N/BDI/233, G/TBT/N/KEN/1244, G/TBT/N/RWA/659, G/TBT/N/TZA/734, G/TBT/N/UGA/1579, was adopted by the East African Community Council of Ministers on 24th February 2023 as EAS 1087: 2022, Flavored coffee — Specification (1st Edition).
G/TBT/N/BDI/234/Add.1	Burundi	<p>Date of Distribution: 16 August 2023</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated</p>	Liquid coffee - Addendum	Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda would like to inform WTO Members that the Draft East African Standard; DEAS 1088: 2022, Liquid coffee — Specification; notified in G/TBT/N/BDI/234, G/TBT/N/KEN/1245, G/TBT/N/RWA/660, G/TBT/N/TZA/735 and G/TBT/N/UGA/1580 was adopted by the East African Community Council of Ministers on 24th February 2023 as EAS 1088: 2022, Liquid coffee — Specification (1st Edition).
G/TBT/N/KOR/1157/Add.1	Republic of Korea	<p>Date of Distribution: 17 August 2023</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated</p>	Food - Addendum	The following communication, dated 17 August 2023, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the Republic of Korea.
G/TBT/N/TUR/79/Add.3	Turkey	<p>Date of Distribution: 16 August 2023</p> <p>Deadline for Comments: Not Indicated</p>	Food additives - Addendum	Turkish Food Codex Regulation on Specifications for Food Additives has been amended for some modification in content about the specifications of E 422, E 471, E 475 and E 476. Amendments have been made in order to align our national legislation with "European Commission Regulation (EU) 2023/1329 of 29 June 2023

				amending Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the use of polyglycerol polyricinoleate (E 476) and the Annex to Commission Regulation (EU) No 231/2012 as regards specifications for glycerol (E 422), polyglycerol esters of fatty acids (E 475) and polyglycerol polyricinoleate (E 476)", and "European Commission Regulation (EU) 2023/1428 of 7 July 2023 amending the Annex to Regulation (EU) No 231/2012 as regards mono- and diglycerides of fatty acids (E 471)".
G/TBT/N/U GA/1823	Uganda	Date of Distribution: 16 August 2023 Deadline for Comments: 14 October 2023	Cakes	This Draft Uganda Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for cake for human consumption.
G/TBT/N/A RE/589	United Arab Emirates	Date of Distribution: 16 August 2023 Deadline for Comments: 14 October 2023	Ground thyme mixture (Zaatar)	This Gulf standard is concerned with the requirements that must be met in the ground thyme mixture and prepared for human consumption, Thyme mixture for industrial purposes is excluded from the application of the standard
G/TBT/N/A RE/590	United Arab Emirates	Date of Distribution: 16 August 2023 Deadline for Comments: 14 October 2023	Fast-frozen fried potatoes prepared from the varieties of fresh potatoes grown from the plant (Solanum[...]weet potatoes (Ipomoea batatas)	This Gulf standard is concerned with fast -Frozen fried potatoes prepared from the varieties of fresh potatoes grown from the plant (Solanum tuberosum 1) and roots of sweet potatoes (Ipomoea batatas) and intended for direct consumption without additional manufacturing except for the classification of size or re-packaging. Standard not apply to the products that have not been fried or pre -cooked .

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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