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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 4 -10 May 2024.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the notified draft technical regulations from Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda:

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/B/DI/474	Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda	Date of Distribution: 6 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: 5 July 2024	Sorghum seed	This Draft East African Standard specifies the certification requirements for the production of pre-basic, basic and certified seed of sorghum (<i>Sorghum bicolor</i> (L.) Moench). It includes requirements for eligible varieties, field standards, field inspections, seed sampling, laboratory standards, certificates, packaging, labelling, and post control tests.
G/TBT/N/B/DI/475	Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda	Date of Distribution: 6 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: 5 July 2024	Maize seed	This Draft East African Standard specifies the certification requirements for the production of pre-basic, basic and certified seed of maize (<i>Zea mays</i> L.). It includes requirements for eligible varieties, field standards, field inspections, seed sampling, laboratory standards, certificates, packaging, labelling and post-control tests.
G/TBT/N/B/DI/476	Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda	Date of Distribution: 6 May 2024 Deadline for Comments: 5 July 2024	Groundnut seed	This Draft East African Standard specifies the certification requirements for the production of pre-basic, basic and certified seed of groundnut (<i>Arachis hypogaea</i> L.). It includes requirements for eligible varieties, field standards, field inspections, seed sampling, laboratory standards, certificates, packaging, labelling, and post-control tests.

To access the notification form, right click the document symbol to open the hyperlink. Should you have any queries on this matter or request for full text of draft regulation in English, please do not hesitate to email us at BPS@dti.gov.ph copy bps.smd@dti.gov.ph.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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