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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 30 November to 06 December 2024.

Relative thereto, we respectfully invite stakeholders to comment on the notified draft technical regulations from: Uganda, Ukraine, and Brazil

Document Symbol	Notifying Member	Relevant Dates	Products Covered	Summary
G/TBT/N/UG/A/2054	Uganda	Date of Distribution: 3 December 2024 Deadline for Comments: 1 February 2025	Fresh asparagus	This Draft Uganda Standard applies to shoots of commercial varieties of asparagus grown from <i>Asparagus officinalis</i> L to be supplied fresh to the consumer. Asparagus for industrial processing is excluded. Asparagus shoots is classified into four groups according to colour: (a) white asparagus; (b) violet asparagus, having tips of a colour between pink and violet or purple and part of the shoot white; (c) violet/green asparagus, part of which is of violet and green colouring; (d) green asparagus having tips and most of the shoot green.
G/TBT/N/UG/A/2055	Uganda	Date of Distribution: 3 December 2024 Deadline for Comments: 1 February 2025	Fresh onions and shallots	This Draft Uganda Standard applies to onion bulbs of varieties grown from <i>Allium cepa</i> L. Cepa group and shallot bulbs grown from <i>Allium cepa</i> Aggregatum group and grey shallots grown from <i>Allium oschaninii</i> O Fedtsch, to be supplied fresh to the consumer. Green onions and green shallots with full leaves as well as onions and shallots intended for industrial processing are excluded. Onions and shallots may be of the following shapes: round, oval/elongated, long or demi-long. Onions and shallots shall have skin colour characteristics of the variety, including white, purple, cream, pink, red, grey, yellow, or brown.
G/TBT/N/UG/A/2056	Uganda	Date of Distribution: 3 December 2024 Deadline for Comments: 1 February 2025	Fresh pineapples	This Draft Uganda Standard applies to pineapples of varieties (cultivars) grown from <i>Ananas comosus</i> (L.) Merr. to be supplied fresh to the consumer, pineapples for ornamental use or industrial processing being excluded.
G/TBT/N/UG/A/2057	Uganda	Date of Distribution: 3 December 2024 Deadline for Comments: 1 February 2025	Fresh collard greens or broccoli greens	This Draft Uganda Standard applies to collard greens or broccoli greens, or mixtures of the two which may consist of leaves, or parts of leaves, plants or mixtures of leaves and plants, grown from <i>Brassica oleracea</i> subsp. (var.) botrytis; subgroup cymosa (italica) (broccoli) and <i>Brassica oleracea</i> subsp. (var.) acephala; subgroup laciniata, intended for human consumption.

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G/TBT/N/UK/R/323	Ukraine	Date of Distribution: 3 December 2024 Deadline for Comments: 1 February 2025	Olive oils	The draft Order provides for the approval of the Requirements for olive oils and establishment of rules on conformity checks of marketing standards and methods of analysis of the characteristics of olive oil, which set forth rules for certain characteristics of olive oils, requirements for sale to the final consumer (whether in natural form, as blends, or within food products), labelling requirements, rules on conformity checks, record-keeping obligations for market operators engaged in the production or storage of olive oils, rules on methods of analysis for olive oils characteristics, cooperation and assistance between competent authorities regarding conformity checks and packaging.
G/TBT/N/BRA/826/Add.8	Brazil	Date of Distribution: 2 December 2024 Deadline for Comments: Not indicated	Organic production - Addendum	Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock – MAPA, amends Annex VIII of Ordinance No. 52 of March 15, 2021 previously notified through G/TBT/N/BRA/826/Add.3.
G/TBT/N/UG/A/2048	Uganda	Date of Distribution: 2 December 2024 Deadline for Comments: 31 January 2025	Fresh rhubarb	This Draft Uganda Standard applies to leaf stalks of rhubarb of varieties (cultivars) grown from <i>Rheum rhaponticum</i> L. to be supplied fresh to the consumer, rhubarb for industrial processing being excluded.
G/TBT/N/UG/A/2049	Uganda	Date of Distribution: 2 December 2024 Deadline for Comments: 31 January 2025	Fresh leeks	This Draft Uganda Standard applies to leeks of varieties (cultivars) grown from <i>Allium porrum</i> L. to be supplied fresh to the consumer, leeks for industrial processing being excluded.
G/TBT/N/UG/A/2050	Uganda	Date of Distribution: 2 December 2024 Deadline for Comments: 31 January 2025	Fresh ribbed celery	This Draft Uganda standard applies to ribbed celery of varieties (cultivars) grown from <i>Apium graveolens</i> L. var. <i>dulce</i> Mill. to be supplied fresh to the consumer, ribbed celery for industrial processing being excluded.
G/TBT/N/UG/A/2051	Uganda	Date of Distribution: 2 December 2024 Deadline for Comments: 31 January 2025	Fresh garlic	This Draft Uganda Standard applies to garlic of varieties (cultivars) grown from <i>Allium sativum</i> var. <i>sativum</i> L. to be supplied fresh ¹ , semi-dry ² or dry ³ to the consumer, green garlic with full leaves and undeveloped cloves and garlic for industrial processing being excluded. The garlic bulbs may consist of several or only one clove ("solo garlic").

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G/TBT/N/UG A/2052	Uganda	Date of Distribution: 2 December 2024 Deadline for Comments: 31 January 2025	Fresh fennel	This Draft Uganda Standard applies to sweet fennel (anise) of varieties (cultivars) grown from <i>Foeniculum vulgare</i> Mill. to be supplied fresh to the consumer, fennel for processing being excluded.
G/TBT/N/UG A/2053	Uganda	Date of Distribution: 2 December 2024 Deadline for Comments: 31 January 2025	Fresh aubergines	This Draft Uganda Standard applies to aubergines of varieties (cultivars) grown from <i>Solanum melongena</i> L. var. <i>esculentum</i> , <i>insanum</i> and <i>ovigerum</i> , to be supplied fresh to the consumer, aubergines for industrial processing being excluded. According to their shape a distinction is made between: a) elongated aubergines (including club shaped, cylindrical, ellipsoid and pear shaped), and b) globus aubergines/ round aubergines (including oval shaped).

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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