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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1. Notifying Member: EGYPT

If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):

2. Agency responsible:

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Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:

- 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [X], 5.7.1 [], other:
- 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):
 - Milk and milk products (except for infants' milk) for retail sale in packages weighing no more than 2 kilograms (Products of HS codes from 04.01 to 04.06)
 - Preserved and dried fruits for retail sale in packages weighing no more than 2 kilograms (Products of HS Chapter 08)
 - Oils and fats for retail sale in packages weighing no more than 5 kilograms (Products of HS chapter 15)
 - Chocolates and food products containing cocoa for retail sale in packages weighing no more than 2 kilograms (Products of HS code 18.06)
 - Sugar confectionaries (HS code 17.04)
 - Pastas and prepared foods from cereals and bread products and pastries except for empty cachets of a kind suitable for pharmaceutical use (HS codes 19.02 - 19.04 - 19.05)
 - Fruit juices for retail sale in packages weighing less than 10 kilograms (Products of HS code 20.09)
 - Natural and mineral water and aerated water (HS codes 22.01-22.02)
 - Beauty and make-up products, preparations for oral or dental hygiene, personal deodorants and antiperspirants, and perfumed preparations (HS codes from 33.03 to 33.07)
 - Soap and washing preparations used as soap for retail sale (HS 3401.11 3401.19 3401.2090 3401.30 3402.20 3402.9090)

- Cutlery and kitchen utensils (HS codes 39.24 4419 69.11 6912 73.23 7418.10 7615.10 8211.10 8211.91 82.15)
- Baths, shower baths, sinks, washbasins, bidets, lavatory pans, seats and covers
- Toilet Paper and similar paper, babies and sanitary napkins (HS codes 9619 -48.18 (except for 4818.1090) - 4803)
- Refractory bricks, blocks, tiles for household use (HS codes 6802.10 6802.2110 6802.9110 6904.40 6810.19 69.07 69.08)
- Tableware glass articles (HS code 70.13)
- Iron and steel bars and rods (HS codes 72.13 72.14 72.15)
- Household electrical appliances (stoves, fryers, air conditioners, fans, washing machines, blenders and heaters) (Products of HS codes 73.21 73.22 8414.51 8415.10 8415.81 8415.82 8415.83 8418.10 8418.21 8418.29 8418.30 8418.40 8422.11 8450.11 8450.12 8450.19 8451.21 8508.11 8509.40 8509.80 8516.10 8516.21 8516.32 8516.40 8516.50 8516.60 8516.71 8516.72 8516.79 8527.12 8527.13 8527.19 8527.91 8527.92 8527.99 8528.71 8528.7220 8528.7290 8528.73)
- Home and Office furniture (HS codes 9401.30 9401.40 9401.51 9401.59 9401.61 9401.69 9401.7190 9401.79 9401.8090 94.03 94.04)
- Bicycles, motorcycles and those with auxiliary motors (HS codes 87.11 8712)
- Watches and clocks (Products of HS chapter 91)
- Lightening equipment for household use (HS codes9405.10 9405.20 9405.30 9405.4090)
- Toys (HS code 9503)
- Textiles, clothing, and home textiles (HS chapters and codes: 50.07 51.11 51.12 5113 52.08 52.09 52.10 52.11 52.12 53.09 5311 54.07 54.08 55.12 55.13 55.14 55.15 55.16 58.01 58.02 58.04 58.05 58.09 5810.1090 5810.91 5810.92 5810.99 , Chapter 60 , Chapter 61 (except 6113.0010 6114.3010 6115.10 6116.1010), Chapter 62 (except 6210.1010 6210.2010 6210.3010 6210.4010 6210.5010 6211.3910 6211.4910 6212.2010 6212.9010 6216.0010 62.17), Chapter 63 (except for 63.07)
- Carpets, floor and wall coverings from textiles or non-textiles materials (HS chapter 57, HS codes 39.18, 4016.91)
- Footwear (HS codes 64.01 64.02 64.03 64.04 64.05)
- 5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Decree No. 43/2016 (5 pages, in Arabic)
- **Description of content:** Ministerial Decree no. 43 for the year 2016 mandates that imports for commercial purposes of the described products will only be allowed into Egypt provided they are produced by manufacturing plants or imported from the companies owning the trademarks or their distribution centres registered in the relevant established register in the General Organization for Export and Import Control.

Registration in or strike off from this register shall be decreed by the Minister of Foreign trade who also has the authority to allow for an exemption from some or all the requirements for registration.

To register in the relevant registry in GOEIC the following requirements apply:

First: For manufacturing plants

 The submission of an application for registration by the legal representative of the producer, or an authorized person by the producer or his agent accompanied by the following accredited documents:

- The legal identity of the producer and the license issued for the manufacturing plant.
- · The product varieties produced and their trademarks.
- The trademarks of the products and the trademarked products produced under license from their owners.
- A certificate that the producer maintains a quality control system. The certificate should be issued by entities accredited by the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC) or the International Accreditation Forum (IAF) or an Egyptian or foreign governmental entity approved by the Minister of Foreign Trade.

Second: For companies owning trademarks:

- The submission of an application for registration by the legal representative of the trademark owner company, or an authorized person or its agent accompanied by the following accredited documents:
 - A certificate stating the registration of the trademark and the trademarked goods produced.
 - A certificate from the trademark owner company containing the distribution centres that are entitled to supply the products bearing the trademark.
 - A certificate that the trademark owner company maintains a quality control system. The certificate should be issued by entities accredited by the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC) or the International Accreditation Forum (IAF) or an Egyptian or foreign governmental entity approved by the Minister of Foreign Trade.

In case there is a suspicion in the validity of the submitted documents, registration in the relevant registry will not take place until these documents have been verified. Based on a request from the applicant, inspection of the company or manufacturing plant may take place to verify the validity of the documents after having the approval of the Minister of Foreign Trade.

- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Quality assurance to prevent deceptive practices and to protect human health or safety
- 8. Relevant documents: Ministerial Decree no. 43/2016
- 9. Proposed date of adoption: 16 January 2016

Proposed date of entry into force: 16 March 2016

- **10. Final date for comments:** 60 days from the date of the notification
- 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

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