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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: <u>EGYPT</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: The National Food Safety Authority (NFSA) 110 Kasr Alaini Street, Cairo, Egypt. Tel: 27933493 Tel: 27933497 Fax: 27933496 Email: info@nfsa.gov.eg 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 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 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): Products of HS headings: 04.01 – 04.02 – 04.03 – 04.05 – 04.06 Milk and milk products (except for infants' milk) for retail sale in packages weighing no more than 2 kilograms. Products of HS Chapter 08 Preserved and dried fruits for retail sale in packages weighing no more than 2 kilograms. Products of HS chapter 15 Oils and fats for retail sale in packages weighing no more than 2 kilograms. Products of HS heading 17.04 Sugar confectionaries. Products of HS heading 18.06 Chocolates and food products containing cocoa for retail sale in packages weighing no more than 2 kilograms. Products of HS heading 20.09 Fruit juices for retail sale in packages weighing less than 10 kilograms. Products of HS headings: 22.01-22.02 Natural and mineral water and aerated water. Products of HS heading 10.01 Wheat. Products of HS headings: Products in contact with Food 39.24, 44.19, 69.11, 69.12, 73.23, 74.18.10, 76.15.10, 82.11.10, 82.11.91, 82.15;

FRUIT AND NUTS; PEEL OF CITRUS FRUIT OR MELONS (HS 08); ANIMAL OR VEGETABLE FATS AND OILS AND THEIR CLEAVAGE PRODUCTS; PREPARED EDIBLE FATS; ANIMAL OR VEGETABLE WAXES (HS 15)	
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: The Decision of the Board of Directors of the National Food Safety Authority (NFSA) No. 2/2020 on the Registration of Conformity Assessment Bodies Issuing Certificates of Inspection and Conformity for imported Food Consignments. (6 page(s), in Arabic)
6.	<p>Description of content: This decision establishes a mechanism for the registration of Conformity Assessment Bodies that issue certificates of inspection and conformity for food consignments imported into Egypt. This decision organises the registration requirements and procedures, enforcement, technical and financial obligations of the Conformity Assessment Bodies required to conduct valid pre-shipment inspection.</p> <p>Moreover, this decision allows the Chairman of the National Food Safety Authority (NFSA) to conclude Agreements and Memorandum of Understanding with International and Regional Authorities and Bodies on mutual recognition of food safety control systems to provide the required level of protection.</p> <p>This measure will reduce the time of inspections at the border and accelerate the release time of the food consignments imported into Egypt, while ensuring credibility in the issued certificates.</p> <p>Worth mentioning is that this decision complies with international Principles and guidelines.</p>
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Food Safety and consumer protection; Reducing trade barriers and facilitating trade
8.	<p>Relevant documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decision of the Board of Directors of the National Food Safety Authority No. 2/2020. • Principles and guidelines for national food control systems (CAC/GL 82-2013). • Principles and guidelines for monitoring the performance of national food control systems (CXG 91-2017). • Guidelines for the design, operation, assessment and accreditation of food import and export inspection and certification systems (CAC/GL 26-1997). • Guidelines for food import control systems (CAC/GL 47-2003). • Principles for food import and export inspection and certification (CAC/GL 20-1995).
9.	<p>Proposed date of adoption: 29 January 2020</p> <p>Proposed date of entry into force: 17 February 2020</p>
10.	Final date for comments: NA
11.	<p>Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:</p> <p>Egyptian Organization for Standardization and Quality 16 Tadreeb El-Modarrebeen St., Ameriya, Cairo - Egypt E-mail: eos@idsc.net.eg / eos.tbt@eos.org.eg Website: http://www.eos.org.eg Tel: + (202) 22845528 Fax: + (202) 22845504</p>