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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 2 June 2020, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of $\underline{\text{Egypt}}$.

Products covered: Tea (ICS: 67.140.10)

This addendum concerns the notification of the Ministerial Decree No. 173/2020 (1 page, in Arabic) that gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 559-1 for "Tea and Methods of Analysis and Testing, Part 1: Tea" (9 pages, in Arabic).

It should be noted that the Ministerial Decree No. 515/2005 (10 pages, in Arabic) which was formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/2 dated 14 December 2005 mandated among others the earlier version of this Standard, and its draft was formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/2/Add.9 dated 17 October 2019.

Worth mentioning is that this standard is technically identical with modification with the following:

- ISO 3720: 2011 Black tea Definition and basic requirements;
- ISO 11287: 2011 Green tea -- Definition and basic requirements;
- ISO/TR 12591: 2013 White tea Definition.

Producers and importers are kept informed of any amendments in the Egyptian standard through the publication of administrative orders in the official gazette.

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