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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>NIGERIA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control, NAFDAC
3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Tomato mix
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: [X] All trading partners [] Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: NAFDAC Tomato Mix Regulations 2025. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 7 https://nafdac.gov.ng/draft-regulations/ https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/NGA/25_07530_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: The NAFDAC Tomato Mix Regulations 2025 establish requirements for the manufacture, import, export, advertisement, sale, and distribution of tomato mix products in Nigeria. Key content: 1. Scope and Ingredients ○ Applies only to tomato mix, not to tomato sauce, ketchup, or dried tomatoes; ○ Essential ingredients: tomato concentrate, sodium chloride, dietary fibre; ○ Optional ingredients (limited by Good Manufacturing Practice) include starches, acidulants, sugars, thickening agents, flavour enhancers, antioxidants, and approved colourings. 2. Quality and Safety Standards ○ Tomato mix must have good flavour, odour, homogenous texture, and be free from peels, seeds, or extraneous matter; ○ Specific physicochemical standards include pH < 4.6, minimum 7% natural tomato solids, maximum 1.5% sodium chloride, and limits for ash and acidity; ○ Sets maximum limits for microbiological contaminants (e.g., absence of Salmonella, E. coli), heavy metals (e.g., Pb ≤ 1.0 mg/kg), and mycotoxins (e.g., total aflatoxins ≤ 10 ppb). 3. Labelling and Packaging ○ Must comply with Pre-packaged Food Labelling Regulations; ○ Label must declare the percentage of Natural Tomato Soluble Solids (NTSS); ○ Differentiates between "Tomato Mix" (without spices) and "Tomato Mix Seasoning" (with spices/flavours); ○ Packaging must prevent leaching and microbial contamination.

4. Prohibitions and Registration ○ Tomato mix cannot be manufactured, imported, or sold without registration by NAFDAC. 5. Offences and Penalties ○ Individuals: imprisonment up to 1 year or fine up to ₦800,000 (or both); ○ Corporate bodies: fines up to ₦5,000,000; ○ Directors, managers, or officers of offending companies may be held personally liable; ○ Convicted persons forfeit assets or property derived from the offence. 6. Enforcement and Miscellaneous ○ NAFDAC is the enforcing agency; ○ Provides definitions (e.g., tomato concentrate, tomato mix) and citations. The regulation ensures that tomato mix products in Nigeria meet strict ingredient standards, quality specifications, safety limits, and labelling requirements, while also enforcing mandatory registration and penalties to protect consumer health and promote fair trade.
7. Objective and rationale: ☒ food safety, ☐ animal health, ☐ plant protection, ☐ protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, ☐ protect territory from other damage from pests.
8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: ☒ Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): CXS 57-1981, Standards for processed tomato concentrates ☐ World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): ☐ International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): ☐ None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? ☒ Yes ☐ No If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:
9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.
11. Proposed date of entry into force: ☒ Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): ☒ Trade facilitating measure
12. Final date for comments: ☒ Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 5 January 2026 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: ☐ National Notification Authority, ☒ National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Food Safety: National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control (NAFDAC) Mrs Foluke Abidemi-Ituas Plot 2032, Olusegun Obasanjo Way Wuse Zone 7 Abuja 900287 E-mail: spsenquiry@nafdac.gov.ng Website: http://www.nafdac.gov.ng

13. Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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