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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	<b>Member notifying:</b> <u>MOROCCO</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> <i>Office National de Sécurité Sanitaire des Produits Alimentaires, ONSSA (National Office for Food Safety)</i>
3.	<b>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):</b> Marketed edible vegetable fats and oils
4.	<b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>All trading partners</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Specific regions or countries:</b>
5.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> <i>Projet de décret relatif à la qualité et à la sécurité sanitaire des graisses et huiles végétales comestibles commercialisées</i> (Draft Decree on the quality and safety of marketed edible vegetable fats and oils) <b>Language(s):</b> French <b>Number of pages:</b> 4. <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/MAR/24_06088_00_f.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/MAR/24_06088_00_f.pdf</a>
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> The provisions of the notified Decree, drafted to implement Law No. 28-07 on food safety, seek primarily to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Define marketed edible vegetable fats and oils;</li><li>• Establish the names under which such fats and oils can be marketed;</li><li>• Establish physico-chemical characteristics by Ministerial Order;</li><li>• Define lawful and unlawful operations involving vegetable fats and oils;</li><li>• Remove the provision on the nominal volumes in which oils can be presented to the buyer in retail trade; and</li><li>• Define modalities for the labelling and presentation for sale of edible vegetable fats and oils.</li></ul> <p>The notified draft Decree provides for the repeal of the provisions on vegetable fats and oils set out in the above-mentioned Order of 22 November 1921, in particular those of Articles 5, 6, 7, 8 and 8 <i>bis</i>, and the repeal of Decree No. 2-62-217 of 3 Hija 1381 (8 May 1962) governing the manufacture of edible oils.</p>
7.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>food safety</b> , <input type="checkbox"/> <b>animal health</b> , <input type="checkbox"/> <b>plant protection</b> , <input type="checkbox"/> <b>protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease</b> , <input type="checkbox"/> <b>protect territory from other damage from pests.</b>

<b>8.</b>	<p><b>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Standard for Named Vegetable Oils, CODEX STAN CXS 210-1999, Rev. 2023</li> <li>- General Standard for the Labelling of Prepackaged Foods (CXS 1-1985)</li> </ul> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b></p>
<b>9.</b>	<p><b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p>
<b>10.</b>	<p><b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined</p>
<b>11.</b>	<p><b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
<b>12.</b>	<p><b>Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 18 November 2024</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and email address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p><i>Division de la Normalisation et des Questions SPS (Standardization and SPS Matters Division)</i></p> <p><i>Direction de l'Évaluation des Risques et des Affaires Juridiques (Directorate of Risk Assessment and Legal Affairs)</i></p> <p><i>Office National de Sécurité Sanitaire des Produits Alimentaires (National Office for Food Safety)</i></p> <p>Avenue Hadj Ahmed Cherkaoui Agdal Rabat Tel.: (+212 5) 37 67 65 11/13 Mobile: (+212 6) 73 99 78 17 Fax: (+212 5) 37 68 20 49 Email: <a href="mailto:enquirypoint.spsmar@onssa.gov.ma">enquirypoint.spsmar@onssa.gov.ma</a> Website: <a href="http://www.onssa.gov.ma">http://www.onssa.gov.ma</a></p>

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