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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>MOROCCO</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: <i>Office National de Sécurité Sanitaire des Produits Alimentaires, ONSSA (National Office for Food Safety)</i>
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): Marketed sauces
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: ☒ All trading partners ☐ Specific regions or countries:
5.	Title of the notified document: <i>Projet d'arrêté du ministre de l'agriculture, de la pêche maritime, du développement rural et des eaux et forêts fixant les dénominations et les caractéristiques des sauces commercialisées</i> (Draft Order of the Minister of Agriculture, Marine Fisheries, Rural Development, Water Resources and Forestry establishing the names and characteristics of marketed sauces) Language(s): French Number of pages: 7 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/MAR/25_00352_00_f.pdf
6.	Description of content: The notified draft Order of the National Office for Food Safety aims primarily to: - define products that are part of emulsified sauces (mayonnaise, mayonnaise sauce, salad sauce, etc.) as well as products that are classed as non-emulsified sauces (ketchup, soy sauce, mustard, Dijon mustard, old-style mustard, sweet mustard, chilli sauce, harissa, tomato sauce, etc.); - Determine the physico-chemical characteristics of marketed sauces; - Determine the ethanol content due to fermentation or as a flavouring, which must not exceed 0.5% (v/v) in marketed sauces.
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): - CODEX STAN 192-1995 (Rev. 2021), Codex General Standard for Food Additives - CODEX STAN 307-2011, Standard for Chilli Peppers - CXS 212-1999, Standard for Sugars - CODEX STAN 150-1985, Standard for Food Grade Salt - Standard for spices when it exists

- CXS 57-1981, Standard for Processed Tomato Concentrates - CXS 306-2023, Standard for Chilli Sauce - CXS 353-2022, Standard for Dried or Dehydrated Chilli Pepper and Paprika ☐ World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. <i>Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code</i>, chapter number): ☐ International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. <i>ISPM number</i>): ☐ 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): 10 March 2025 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: ☒ National Notification Authority, ☒ National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and email address (if available) of other body: <i>Division de la Normalisation et des Questions SPS (Standardization and SPS Matters Division)</i> <i>Direction de l'Évaluation des Risques et des Affaires Juridiques (Directorate of Risk Assessment and Legal Affairs)</i> Office National de Sécurité Sanitaire des Produits Alimentaires 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: enquirypoint.spsmar@onssa.gov.ma Website: http://www.onssa.gov.ma
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