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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN, THE STATE OF KUWAIT, OMAN, QATAR, KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA, YEMEN If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Saudi Food and Drug Authority
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): ICS code: 67.080.20
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: Prepackaged Tomatoes. Language(s): Arabic and English. Number of pages: 7 and 8 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/SAU/26_04801_00_x.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/SAU/26_04801_00_e.pdf
6.	Description of content: This Gulf Technical Regulation applies the products, as defined in Section 3 below, and offered for direct consumption, including for catering purposes or for repacking if required. This Standard also applies to the product when indicated as being intended for further processing. The Standard does not include dried tomatoes and preserved tomatoes containing other vegetables such as pepper and onions in quantities that materially alter the flavour, aroma and taste of the tomato component.
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 13-1981/Amended in 2023 "Standard for Preserved Tomatoes" ☐ 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): 15 November 2026 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: ☒ National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Saudi Food and Drug Authority SFDA Tel: +(966 11) 203 8222 Fax: +(966 11) 210 9825 E-mail: SPSEP.Food@sFDA.gov.sa Website: http://www.sFDA.gov.sa
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