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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA If applicable, name of local government involved: 2. Agency responsible: Saudi Food and Drug Authority (SFDA) 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): Prepackaged mixed improvers of Arabic coffee (ICS Code: 67.220) 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: All trading partners [X] Specific regions or countries: Γ1 5. Title of the notified document: The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia/The Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf Draft Technical Regulation for: "Prepackaged mixed improvers of Arabic coffee" Language(s): Arabic Number of pages: 9 http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2015/SPS/SAU/15 4363 00 x.pdf Description of content: This draft technical regulation applies to the improvers 6. mixtures used for packaged Arabic coffee. 7. Objective and rationale: [X] 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: Γ1 Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text) [] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number) [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number) [X] 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: Gulf Standard GSO 1391 (Ground Roasted Coffee)

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: [X] Six months from date of publication, and/or (*dd/mm/yy*):
 - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 26 December 2015

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