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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: SPS Enquiry point, 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): Fish and other aquatic products
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Approval Framework for Control Authorities and Establishments Exporting Fish and Other Aquatic Products to the Kingdom Of Saudi Arabia. Language(s): Arabic. Number of pages: 3 http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/SAU/17_2370_00_x.pdf
6. Description of content: The purpose of this document is to ensure that the import requirements for fish and other aquatic products destined to the Saudi market are followed by foreign establishments subject to the control of an official control authority responsible for food safety in the concerned country. It primarily paves the way for delegating the official control authority the responsibility of providing approval for establishments in the business of harvesting and processing fish and other aquatic products of animal origin, interested in exporting their products to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.
7. Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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: [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): 17 July 2017 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] 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 - 3292 North Ring road Al Nafel Area Unt (1) - Riyadh 13312 - 6288 Tel: +(966 11) 203 8222, Ext. 3331 Fax: +(966 11) 210 9825 E-mail: SPSEP.Food@sfda.gov.sa Website: http://www.sfda.gov.sa
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