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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: PHILIPPINES
	If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Department of Agriculture (DA), Bureau of Agriculture and Fisheries Standards (BAFS)
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): White sugar
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
	[X] All trading partners
	[] Specific regions or countries:
5.	Title of the notified document: Revised Draft Philippine National Standard for White Sugar (PNS/BAFPS 82:2010). Language(s): English. Number of pages: 5
	http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/PHL/17 2784 00 e.pdf
6.	Description of content: The Philippine National Standard for the Specification of White Sugar (PNS/BAFPS 82:2010) was revised In 2010 in order to aid in boosting the local sugar industry and ensure that the locally produced and traded sugars meet current international standards for safety and quality. The Standard intended to provide specification of white sugar intended for human consumption.
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:
	[X] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): Codex Stan 192-1995, Rev. 2016; Codex Stan 1- 1985, Rev. 2010; Codex Stan 234-1999, Rev. 2016
	[] 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?
	[X] 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): To be determined.
	[] Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 25 August 2017
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