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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>CHINA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: National Health and Family Planning Commission of the People's Republic of China (NHFPC)
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): Food additive/Menthol, natural
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: National Food Safety Standard of the P.R.C.: Food Additive/Menthol, natural Language(s): Chinese Number of pages: 6 http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2015/SPS/CHN/15_3347_00_x.pdf
6.	Description of content: This standard applies to food additive/menthol, natural, using <i>Mentha arvensis</i> oil as raw materials. It specifies the technical requirements and testing methods for <i>l</i> -menthol, natural.
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text) CAC (JECFA 427) <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 type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: In this standard, solubility in ethanol is added. Requirements of refractive and relative density are deleted. Assay is changed from "≥95% (sum of two isomers)" to "≥99.0%" and angular rotation is changed from "-52°~-40°" to "-50°~-49°". This standard is consistent with the actual condition of Chinese products.

9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: None
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: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 31 October 2015 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:
13.	Text(s) available from: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: