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## **Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures**

## **NOTIFICATION**

1.	Notifying Member: <u>TUNISIA</u>
	If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> <i>Ministère de commerce</i> (Ministry of Trade), <i>Ministère de la santé</i> (Ministry of Health), <i>Ministère de l'industrie, des petites et moyennes entreprises</i> (Ministry of Industry and Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises), <i>Ministère de l'agriculture, des ressources hydrauliques et de la pêche</i> (Ministry of Agriculture, Water Resources and Fisheries)
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): Canned tuna and canned bonito
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
	[X] All trading partners
	[ ] Specific regions or countries:
5.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> Arrêté du Ministre de commerce, du Ministre de la santé, du Ministre de l'industrie, des petites et moyennes entreprises, et du Ministre de l'agriculture, des ressources hydrauliques et de la pêche du 19 février 2018, relatif aux conserves de thon et conserves de bonite (Order of the Ministry of Trade, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Industry and Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises, and Ministry of Agriculture, Water Resources and Fisheries, of 19 February 2018, on canned tuna and canned bonito) <b>Language(s):</b> French <b>Number of pages:</b> 6
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> The notified text establishes the physical, microbiological and health requirements and criteria to be met by canned tuna and canned bonito.
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 70-1981
	[] World Organisation 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. Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** Official Journal of the Tunisian Republic (JORT) No. 21 of 13 March 2018
- 10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 19 February 2018Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 13 March 2018
- 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: [ ] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable.

Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ] National Notification Authority, [ ] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and email address (if available) of other body:

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