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NOTIFICATION

1.	**Notifying Member:** UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN, THE STATE OF KUWAIT, OMAN, QATAR, KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA, YEMEN **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):** Food products in general (ICS Code: 67.040)
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:** The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia/The Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf draft Technical Regulation for "Maximum Residues Limits (MRLs) of Veterinary Drugs In Food". **Language(s):** Arabic. **Number of pages:** 65 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/SAU/19_3100_00_x.pdf
6.	**Description of content:** This Draft Technical Regulation concerns Maximum Residues Limits (MRLs) and acceptable daily intake (ADI) of Veterinary Drugs In Food products and food from animal origin such as milk, eggs, fat, muscle, liver and kidney.
7.	**Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [X] 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)*:** Maximum residue limits (MRLs) of veterinary drugs in food CX/MRL 2-2018 **[ ] 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:

- Acceptable Daily Intakes (Adi) for Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals. Australian Government, Department of Health and Aging Office of Chemical Safety. 31 December 2012
- Australian Standard (2012), Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority, The MRL Standard, Maximum residue limits in food and animal feedstuff July 2012
- Canadian Standards, Maximum residue limits (MRLs) of veterinary drugs in food, 2011
- Commission Regulation (EU) No 37/2010
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 2377/90
- EMEA/MRL/865/03-FINAL, June 2004: The European Agency for the Evaluation of Medicinal products. Veterinary Medicines and Information Technology Unit
- EMEA/MRL/CVMP/151/99-FINAL, March 1999. The European Agency for the Evaluation of Medicinal products. Veterinary Medicines and Information Technology Unit. Committee for Veterinary Medical Products
- EMEA/MRL/889/03-FINAL. June 2004. The European Agency for the Evaluation of Medicinal products. Veterinary Medicines and Information Technology Unit. Committee for Veterinary Medical Products
- EMEA/MRL/342/00-FINAL. January 2001. The European Agency for the Evaluation of Medicinal products. Veterinary Medicines and Information Technology Unit. Committee for Veterinary Medical Products
- EMEA/MRL/565/99-FINAL April (1999). The European Agency for the Evaluation of Medicinal products. Veterinary Medicines and Information Technology Unit. Committee for Veterinary Medical Products
- EMEA/MRL/342/98-FINAL. February 1998. The European Agency for the Evaluation of Medicinal products. Veterinary Medicines and Information Technology Unit. Committee for Veterinary Medical Products
- European Community Comments on Codex Circular Letter CL 2005-10 RVDF
- EMEA/MRL/079/96-FINAL, March 1996. The European Agency for the Evaluation of Medicinal products. Veterinary Medicines and Information Technology Unit

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