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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1.</b>	<b>Notifying Member:</b> <u>KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN, KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Saudi Food and Drug Authority
<b>3.</b>	<b>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):</b> ICS Code(s): 67.040
<b>4.</b>	<b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>All trading partners</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Specific regions or countries:</b>
<b>5.</b>	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia/The Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf draft Technical Regulation for "Requirements for handling of ready-to-eat-foods" <b>Language(s):</b> Arabic. <b>Number of pages:</b> 18 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/SAU/20_6786_00_x.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/SAU/20_6786_00_x.pdf</a>
<b>6.</b>	<b>Description of content:</b> This draft technical regulation applies to the handling, preparation and shelf life requirements for Ready - to - eat foods.
<b>7.</b>	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> <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.
<b>8.</b>	<b>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Codex Alimentarius commission CAC / RCP 43-1995 - Rev1:2001, Code of hygienic practice for the preparation and sale of street foods) Regional code- Latin America and Caribbean).</li> <li>- Codex Alimentarius commission-CAC / GL 22/1997- Rev -1 :1999, Regional guidelines for the design of control measures for street - vended foods in Africa</li> </ul> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b> <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b>

<p><b>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Food marketing institute Washington D. C 20006, a consumer guide to food quality and safe handling Dec. 1996.</li> <li>- GSO CAC/GL 61 "Guidelines on the application of general principles of food hygiene to the control of listeria monocytogenes in foods.</li> </ul>
<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.  <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force: [X] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b>  <b>[ ] Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 8 January 2021</p> <p><b>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:</b></p> <p>Saudi Food and Drug Authority  SFDA - 4904 North Ring branch rd- Hitteen Dist Unit Number (1) - Riyadh 13513 - 7148  Tel: +(966 11) 203 8222, Ext. 3158  Fax: +(966 11) 210 9825  E-mail: <a href="mailto:SPSEP.Food@sfd.gov.sa">SPSEP.Food@sfd.gov.sa</a>  Website: <a href="http://www.sfd.gov.sa">http://www.sfd.gov.sa</a></p>
<p><b>13. Text(s) available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>Saudi Food and Drug Authority  SFDA - 4904 North Ring branch rd- Hitteen Dist Unit Number (1) - Riyadh 13513 - 7148  Tel: +(966 11) 203 8222, Ext. 3158  Fax: +(966 11) 210 9825  E-mail: <a href="mailto:SPSEP.Food@sfd.gov.sa">SPSEP.Food@sfd.gov.sa</a>  Website: <a href="http://www.sfd.gov.sa">http://www.sfd.gov.sa</a></p>