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

## **NOTIFICATION**

- **1. Notifying Member:** <u>UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN, THE STATE OF KUWAIT, OMAN, OATAR, KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA, YEMEN</u>
  - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- **2. Agency responsible:** Saudi Food and Drug Authority
- 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): ICS Code(s): 67.040
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
  - [X] All trading partners
  - [ ] Specific regions or countries:
- **Title of the notified document:** The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia/The Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf draft Technical Regulation for "General Requirements for Prepackaged Foods for Special Dietary Use". **Language(s):** Arabic. **Number of pages:** 13

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/SAU/20 7717 00 x.pdf

- **6. Description of content:** This draft technical regulation applies to prepackaged food used for special dietary uses, which includes but is not limited to:
  - Foods for special medical purposes;
  - Foods for use in weight control diets;
  - Gluten-free foods;
  - Food supplements;
  - Infants and young children foods;
  - Infants formula, follow on formula and formulas for special medical purposes.
- 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 146-1985, General Standard for the Labelling of and Claims for Prepackaged Foods for Special Dietary Uses
  - [ ] 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: Health Canada, Labelling Requirements for Foods for Special Dietary Use
- **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): One year from date of publication.
  - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 13 February 2021

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