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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>BURUNDI, KENYA, RWANDA, TANZANIA, UGANDA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible:
	Uganda National Bureau of Standards Plot 2-12 ByPass Link, Bweyogerere Industrial and Business Park P.O. Box 6329 Kampala, Uganda Tel: +(256) 4 1733 3250/1/2 Fax: +(256) 4 1428 6123 E-mail: info@unbs.go.ug Website: <u>https://www.unbs.go.ug</u>
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): Other live plants (including their roots), cuttings and slips; mushroom spawn (HS code(s): 0602); Plant growing (ICS code(s): 65.020.20)
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: DEAS 1035: 2020, Banana seeds - Requirements for certification, First Edition. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 14
	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/UGA/22_7131_00_e.pdf
6.	Description of content: This Working Draft East African Standard specifies the requirements for certification for banana (<i>Musa</i> spp.) seed. It applies to tissue culture, macro-propagation and conventionally produced planting materials. The Draft Standard specifies the certification requirements for pre-basic, basic and certified seed of banana (<i>Musa L.</i> species). It includes requirements for tissue culture, macro-propagation and conventionally produced planting materials categories, eligible varieties, application for certification, specific nurseries and field requirements, field inspection, size of the suckers and plantlets, certificates, packaging, labelling, and post-control tests.
7.	Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [] animal health, [X] plant protection, [X] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [X] protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:
	[] Codex Alimentarius Commission (<i>e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text</i>):
	[] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):

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[] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):

[X] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

[]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:

- 1. Uganda Gazette.
- 2. International Seed Testing Association ISTA Rules.
- 3. OECD Schemes for Varietal Certification or the Control of Seed Moving in the International Trade.
- 4. UPOV, International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants.
- **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*): To be determined.

[X] Trade facilitating measure

12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 24 December 2022

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

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