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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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### NOTIFICATION

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>BURUNDI, KENYA, RWANDA, TANZANIA, UGANDA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> 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: <a href="https://www.unbs.go.ug">https://www.unbs.go.ug</a>
<b>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):</b> Vegetable seeds (HS code(s): 120991); Plant growing (ICS code(s): 65.020.20)
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> DEAS 1099:2022, Tomato seed - Requirements for certification, First Edition. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 18 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/UGA/22_7126_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/UGA/22_7126_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> This Draft East Africa Standard specifies the certification requirements for pre-basic, basic and certified seed certification for tomato seeds ( <i>Solanum lycopersicum</i> ), eligible varieties, application for certification, field requirements, field inspection, sampling, laboratory testing, certificates, packaging, labelling, and post-control tests. This standard also applies to locally produced and imported seeds.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
<b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None

<p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b></p>
<p><b>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Uganda Gazette</li><li>2. International Seed Testing Association ISTA Rules</li><li>3. OECD Schemes for Varietal Certification or the Control of Seed Moving in the International Trade</li><li>4. OECD Seed Schemes; Guidelines for Control Plot Tests and Field Inspection of Seed Crops (available in English)</li></ol>
<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:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 24 December 2022</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. <b>Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>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: <a href="https://www.unbs.go.ug">https://www.unbs.go.ug</a></p>
<p><b>13. Text(s) available from:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. <b>Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>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: <a href="https://www.unbs.go.ug">https://www.unbs.go.ug</a></p>