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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>MOROCCO</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> <i>Office National de Sécurité Sanitaire des Produits Alimentaires, ONSSA (National Office for Food Safety)</i>
<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> Food additives authorized for use in primary products and food products
<b>4. 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. Title of the notified document:</b> <i>Projet d'Arrêté conjoint modifiant et complétant l'arrêté conjoint n°1795-14 du 14 mai 2014 fixant la liste et les limites des additifs alimentaires autorisés à être utilisés dans les produits primaires et les produits alimentaires, ainsi qu'aux indications que doivent porter leurs emballages (Draft Joint Order amending and supplementing Joint Order No. 1795-14 of 14 May 2014 establishing the list of, and limits for, food additives authorized for use in primary products and food products, as well as the information to be displayed on their packaging)</i> <b>Language(s):</b> French <b>Number of pages:</b> 4 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/MAR/22_7155_00_f.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/MAR/22_7155_00_f.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/MAR/22_7155_01_f.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/MAR/22_7155_01_f.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/MAR/22_7155_02_f.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/MAR/22_7155_02_f.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/MAR/22_7155_03_f.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/MAR/22_7155_03_f.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/MAR/22_7155_04_f.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/MAR/22_7155_04_f.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The purpose of the notified draft Joint Order amending Order <b>No. 1795-14 of 14 May 2014</b> is to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Update the list of authorized food additives in order to comply with the relevant international standards;</li><li>- Establish specifications for these food additives so as to prevent fraudulent practices that could pose a risk to consumer health.</li></ul> In addition, in the interest of transparency for the consumer, the notified draft Joint Order establishes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- A list of functional classes of food additive, on the basis of the technological purpose of the additive in the food product;</li><li>- A list of food colours for which additional information must be displayed on the labelling of the food products that contain them.</li></ul>

7.	<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.
8.	<p><b>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b> CODEX STAN 192-1995, General Standard for Food Additives, and its revisions up to 2021</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input checked="" 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>
9.	<b>Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b>
10.	<p><b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p>
11.	<p><b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> The notified Joint Order will enter into effect on the date of its publication in the Official Journal.</p> <p>However, the operators concerned will have a period of two years from the date of publication within which to comply with the provisions on the labelling of food products containing the food colours listed in Annex IV to the notified Joint Order.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
12.	<p><b>Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 25 December 2022</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and email address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>Office National de Sécurité Sanitaire des Produits Alimentaires  <i>Division de la Normalisation et des Questions SPS</i> (Standardization and SPS Matters Division)  <i>Direction de l'Evaluation des Risques et des Affaires Juridiques</i> (Directorate of Risk Assessment and Legal Affairs)  Avenue Hadj Ahmed Cherkaoui  Tel.: (+212) 05 37 67 65 11/13, Mobile: 006 7399 7817  Fax: (+212) 05 3768 2049  Email: <a href="mailto:enquiry.point.spsmar@onssa.gov.ma">enquiry.point.spsmar@onssa.gov.ma</a>  Website: <a href="http://www.onssa.gov.ma">http://www.onssa.gov.ma</a></p>

**13. Text(s) available from:  National Notification Authority,  National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and email address (if available) of other body:**

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