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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

Original: English

NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: <u>THE GAMBIA</u>
 - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- 2. Agency responsible: Food Safety and Quality 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): Groundnuts and groundnut products
- 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: Draft Groundnuts Regulations. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 4

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/GMB/23 0934 00 e.pdf

- 6. **Description of content:** These regulations apply to all "stages of production, processing and distribution of groundnuts and groundnut products" means any stage, from the primary production of a food or feed, its storage, transport, sale or supply to the final consumer and, where relevant, the importation, production, manufacture, storage, transport, distribution, sale and supply of groundnuts and their products.
- 7. 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*):
 - 1. General principles of food hygiene [GAMS CAC/RCP 1-1969]
 - 2. Gambian standards for peanuts [Gams Codex Stan 200-1995]
 - 3. Gambian standard on peanut butter [Gams 1-2015]
 - 4. International code of hygienic practice for Groundnuts (Peanuts) [CAC/RCP 22-1979]
 - 5. Code of practice for the prevention and reduction of aflatoxin contamination in peanuts [Gams CAC/RCP 55-2004]
 - 6. General Standards for contaminants and toxins in food and feed [Codex Stan 193-1995]
 - 7. Gambian standards for edible fats and oils [Gams Codex Stan 19-1981]
 - [] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (*e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number*):
 - [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):

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[] 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:
- **10.** Proposed date of adoption (*dd/mm/yy*): 15 March 2023

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 13 April 2023

11. Proposed date of entry into force: [X] Six months from date of publication, and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 16 October 2023

[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*): 14 April 2023

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

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13. Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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