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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

## NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA If applicable, name of local government involved: 2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Organic Agriculture 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): Organic products which include food products, feeds products and seeds products 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: All trading partners [X] Specific regions or countries: Γ1 5. Title of the notified document: Organic Agriculture Law and Organic Agriculture By-Law in Kingdom of Saudi Arabia Language(s): Arabic and English Number of pages: 71 and 59 respectively 6. **Description of content:** These Standards applies to all organic 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: [] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text) [] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number) [] 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: None 10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 25 February 2016 Proposed date of publication (*dd/mm/yy*):

11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 25 February 2016

## [] Trade facilitating measure

12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 8 October 2016

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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