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NOTIFICATION

1.	**Notifying Member:** BURUNDI, KENYA, RWANDA, TANZANIA, UGANDA **If applicable, name of local government involved:**
2.	**Agency responsible:** Uganda National Bureau of Standards
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):** Vegetable saps and extracts (excl. liquorice, hops, opium and ephedra) (HS code(s): 130219); Food additives (ICS code(s): 67.220.20)
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 1132: 2023, Natural vanilla extract — Specification, First Edition. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 14 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/UGA/23_1561_00_e.pdf
6.	**Description of content:** This Draft East African Standard specifies the requirements, sampling and test methods for natural vanilla extract products obtained from pods of *V. planifolia. A*, *V. tahitensis* and *V. pompona* species of vanilla orchid for use for use as a flavouring agent in food 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:

- AOAC 999.11, Determination of Lead, Cadmium, Copper, Iron, and Zinc in Foods, Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometry after Dry Ashing
- AOAC 2015.01, Heavy Metals in Food Inductively Coupled Plasma–Mass Spectrometry
- AOAC 2000.09 Ochratoxin A in Roasted Coffee Immunoaffinity column HPLC method
- CAC/GL 50, General guidelines on sampling
- Codex 193, General standard for contaminants and toxins in food and feed
- EAS 39, Code of practice for hygiene in the food and drink manufacturing industry
- EAS 104, Alcoholic beverages — Methods of sampling and test
- CODEX STAN 107, General standard for the labelling of food additives when sold as such
- ISO 4833, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs — Horizontal method for the enumeration of microorganisms – Colony\-count technique at 30°C
- ISO 6579, Microbiology of food and feeding stuffs — Horizontal method for the detection of *Salmonella* spp.
- ISO 21527-2, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs — Horizontal method for the enumeration of yeasts and moulds — Part 2: Colony count technique in products with water activity less than or equal to 0.95
- EAS 38, Labelling of pre-packaged foods — General requirements
- ISO 16649-1, Microbiology of the food chain — Horizontal method for the enumeration of beta-glucuronidase-positive *Escherichia coli* — Part 1: Colony-count technique at 44 degrees C using membranes and 5-bromo-4-chloro-3-indolyl beta-D-glucuronide
- ISO 16050, Foodstuffs — Determination of aflatoxin B1, and the total content of aflatoxins B1, B2, G1 and G2 in cereals, nuts and derived products — High\-performance liquid chromatographic method
- ISO 7952, Fruits, vegetables and derived products — Determination of copper content — Method using flame atomic absorption spectrometry
- ISO 6637, Fruits, vegetables and derived products -- Determination of mercury content -- Flameless atomic absorption method

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10. Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*: December 2023

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.

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12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*: 5 May 2023

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