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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

1.	<b>Notifying Member:</b> <u>UGANDA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Uganda National Bureau of Standards
3.	<b>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> Tapioca and substitutes therefor prepared from starch, in the form of flakes, grains, pearls, siftings or in similar forms (HS code(s): 1903); Vegetables and derived products (ICS code(s): 67.080.20)
4.	<b>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>
5.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> DUS 2673:2023, Tapioca pearls — Specification, First Edition. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 12 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/UGA/24_02019_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/UGA/24_02019_00_e.pdf</a>
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> This standard prescribes the requirements, sampling and test methods for tapioca pearls intended for human consumption. Note: This Draft Uganda Standard was also notified to the TBT Committee.
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.	<b>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b> <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b>

9.	<p><b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- AOAC 943.02-1943, PH of flour. Potentiometric method</li> <li>- US 28 EAS 39, Code of practice for hygiene in the food and drink manufacturing industry</li> <li>- ISO 874. Fresh fruits and vegetables - Sampling</li> <li>- US 45, General standard for food additives</li> <li>- US EAS 744:2010, Cassava and cassava products - Determination of total cyanogens - Enzymatic assay method</li> <li>- US ISO 10520, Native starch - Determination of starch content - Ewers polarimetric method</li> <li>- US ISO 1666, Starch - Determination of moisture content - Oven-drying method</li> <li>- US ISO 5498, Agricultural food products - Determination of crude fibre content - General method</li> <li>- US ISO 20483, Cereals and pulses - Determination of the nitrogen content and calculation of the crude protein content - Kjeldahl method</li> <li>- US ISO 5985, Animal feeding stuffs - Determination of ash insoluble in hydrochloric acid</li> <li>- US ISO 5379, Starches and derived products - Determination of sulphur dioxide content - Acidi-metric method and nephelometric method</li> <li>- ISO 5520, Fruits, vegetables and derived products — Determination of alkalinity of total ash and of water-soluble ash;</li> <li>- ISO 14864:1998, Rice — Evaluation of gelatinization time of kernels during cooking</li> <li>- US EAS 901, Cereals and pulses — Test methods</li> <li>- IS 899: 2022, TAPIOCA SAGO (SABOODANA) — SPECIFICATION, Second Edition</li> <li>- Uganda Gazette</li> </ul> <p>(available in English)</p>
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: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p> <p><b>[X] Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
12.	<p><b>Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 12 May 2024</p> <p><b>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:</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: <a href="mailto:info@unbs.go.ug">info@unbs.go.ug</a>  Website: <a href="https://www.unbs.go.ug">https://www.unbs.go.ug</a></p>
13.	<p><b>Text(s) available from: [ ] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. 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: <a href="mailto:info@unbs.go.ug">info@unbs.go.ug</a>  Website: <a href="https://www.unbs.go.ug">https://www.unbs.go.ug</a></p>