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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>TÜRKIYE</u>
	If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry/General Directorate of Food and Control
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): Butter and clarified butter
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: Turkish Food Codex Communiqué on Butter and Clarified Butter. Language(s): Turkish. Number of pages: 3
	https://www.tarimorman.gov.tr/GKGM/Duyuru/562/Mevzuat-Taslagi-Tgk-Tereyagi-Ve-Sadeyag-Tebligi
	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/TUR/24 02339 00 x.pdf
6.	Description of content: This Communiqué covers product characteristics of butter and clarified butter in order to ensure that they are produced, prepared, processed, transported, stored and supplied to the market.
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): Standard For Butter CXS 279-1971
	[] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):
	[] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
	[] None
	Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?
	[] Yes [X] No
	If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: Turkish Food Codex Communiqué on Butter and Spreadable Fats published in Official Gazette dated 12 April 2005 is compatible with the Council Regulation (EC) No 2991/94 of 5 December 1994 laying down standards for spreadable fats. Since Regulation 2991/94 is repealed by "Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 on establishing a

common organisation of the markets in agricultural products", the related Turkish Food Codex has been drafted. In this draft, for the assurance of a high level of consumer protection in relation to food information, taking into account the differences in the perception of consumers and their information needs whilst ensuring the smooth functioning of the internal market. Therefore, in scope of definitions, the milk-fat component of some products is amended and/or deleted in order to prevent the misleading consumer.

- 9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
 - Veterinary, Phytosanitary, Food and Feed Law No: 5996 (G/SPS/N/TUR/9)
 - Regulation on Specific Hygiene Rules for Food of Animal Origin (G/SPS/N/TUR/12)
- Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 31 December 2024
 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 31 December 2024
- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 31 December 2024. This Communiqué enters into force on the date of its publication.

Food operators operating before the publication date of this Communiqué must comply with the provisions of this Communiqué until 31 December 2024. Products produced before 31 December 2024 may be available on the market until the end of their shelf life.

- [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 5 June 2024

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

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