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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: National Agency for Food Safety
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): Beverages, spirits and vinegar (HS code(s): 22)
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5.	Title of the notified document: Government Decision No. 589/2023 regarding the approval of the Regulation on the definition, description, presentation and labelling of alcoholic beverages. Language(s): Romanian. Number of pages: 39 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/MDA/24_03058_00_x.pdf
6.	Description of content: The Government Decision No. 589/2023 approved the Regulation on the definition, description, presentation and labelling of alcoholic beverages and transposes the Regulation (EU) 2019/787 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 April 2019 on the definition, description, presentation and labelling of spirit drinks, the use of designations of spirit drinks in the presentation and labelling of other foodstuffs, the protection of geographical indications of spirit drinks, the use of ethyl alcohol and distillates of agricultural origin in spirit drinks.
7.	Objective and rationale: <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.	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): General standard for the labelling of prepackaged foods CXS 1-1985 <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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): 14 August 2023 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 29 August 2023
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 29 December 2023 [X] Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable 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: <p>Mrs Diana GHERMAN, Head of International Relations Department National Food Safety Agency of the Republic of Moldova Str. Mihail Kogălniceanu 63 Chisinau, MD 2009 E-mail: diana.gherman@ansa.gov.md notificari.omc@ansa.gov.md</p>
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