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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	<b>Notifying Member:</b> <u>BURUNDI, KENYA, RWANDA, TANZANIA, UGANDA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Tanzania 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> Frozen lobsters " <i>Homarus</i> spp.", even smoked, whether in shell or not, incl. lobsters in shell, cooked by steaming or by boiling in water (HS code(s): 030612); Fish and fishery products (ICS code(s): 67.120. 30); Frozen lobster tails
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> DEAS 897: 2024, Frozen lobster tails — Specification, Second Edition. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 12 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/TZA/24_03976_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/TZA/24_03976_00_e.pdf</a>
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> This Draft East African Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for frozen lobster tails of all the species of the genera <i>Panulirus</i> , <i>Homarus</i> and <i>Peurulus</i> intended for human consumption. Note: This Draft East African Standard was also notified under 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>

<p><b>9.</b></p>	<p><b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. AOAC 972.23, Lead in fish — Atomic absorption spectrophotometric method</li> <li>2. AOAC 973.34, Cadmium in food — Atomic absorption spectrophotometric method</li> <li>3. AOAC 2015.01, Heavy Metals in Food - Inductively Coupled Plasma–Mass Spectrometry</li> <li>4. CXG 50, General guidelines on sampling</li> <li>5. CXC 52, Code of practice for fish and fishery products</li> <li>6. CXS 192, General standard for food additives</li> <li>7. EAS 12, Drinking (potable water) — Specification</li> <li>8. EAS 38, Labelling of pre-packaged foods — General requirements</li> <li>9. EAS 39, Hygiene in the food and drink manufacturing industry — Code of practice</li> <li>10. EAS 803, Nutrition labelling — Requirements</li> <li>11. EAS 804, Claims on foods — Requirements</li> <li>12. EAS 805, Use of nutritional and health claims — Requirements</li> <li>13. ISO 4833 (all parts), Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs — Horizontal method for the enumeration of microorganisms — Colony-count technique at 30 degrees C</li> <li>14. ISO 6579, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs — Horizontal method for the detection of <i>Salmonella</i> spp.</li> <li>15. ISO 6888-1, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs — Horizontal method for the enumeration of coagulase-positive <i>staphylococci</i> (<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> and other species) — Part 1 — Technique using Baird Parker agar medium</li> <li>16. ISO/TS 21872 (all parts), Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs — Horizontal method for the detection of potentially enteropathogenic <i>Vibrio</i> spp. (available in English)</li> </ol>
<p><b>10.</b></p>	<p><b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined and notified.</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p>
<p><b>11.</b></p>	<p><b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p><b>12.</b></p>	<p><b>Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 25 August 2024</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Tanzania Bureau of Standards Ubungu, Morogoro Road/Sam Nujoma Road P. O. Box 9524 DAR ES SALAAM, TANZANIA Tel: +(255 22) 245 0298 +(255 22) 245 0206 Fax: +(255 22) 245 0959 E-mail: <a href="mailto:info@tbs.go.tz">info@tbs.go.tz</a> Website: <a href="http://www.tbs.go.tz">http://www.tbs.go.tz</a></p>

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