NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Egypt  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Egyptian Organization for Standardization and Quality |
| **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):** Coffee and coffee substitutes |
| **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:** Ministerial Decree No. 219/2021 mandating the Egyptian Standard ES 8449 "Green Coffee Beans intended for instant coffee manufacturing".**Language(s):** Arabic. **Number of pages:** 1 |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** Ministerial Decree No. 219/2021 gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 8449 "Green Coffee Beans intended for instant coffee manufacturing".  This standard is concerned with the basic requirements and descriptive standards for green coffee beans used in the production of instant coffee and not intended to be used as a final product.  It should be noted that this standard cancels and replaces the requirements for instant coffee contained in Egyptian Standard ES No. 517, 1474-1/2005 "Updated 2014". |
| **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:** ISO 3509/2005 (confirmed in 2018), ISO 10470/2004 (confirmed in 2017) |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 20 May 2021  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 13 June 2021 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** 14 June 2021  **[****X]** **Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****X]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 18 January 2022  **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:**  Central Administration for Foreign Agricultural Relations  Ministry of Agriculture and Land Reclamation  1 Nadi El Saïd St., Dokki, Giza, Egypt  Tel: +(202) 333 76 589  +(202) 374 90 805  Fax: +(202) 374 90 805  E-mail: enq\_egy\_sps@yahoo.com |
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