NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN, THE STATE OF KUWAIT, OMAN, QATAR, KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA, YEMEN**If applicable, name of local government involved:**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Saudi Food and Drug Authority (SFDA) |
| **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 (ICS code(s): 67.140.20) |
| **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:** The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia/The Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf draft Technical Regulation for Coffee husks (Cascara coffee).**Language(s):** Arabic. **Number of pages:** 7[https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/SAU/22\_8090\_00\_e.pdf](https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/SAU/22_8090_00_e.pdf%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This draft technical regulation applies to coffee husks prepared for use as a raw material and intended for human consumption. |
| **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:** * Gulf Technical regulations and standards for coffee
* Technical report for safety of dried coffee husk (cascara) from *Coffee arabica* L. as a Novel food

<https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/SAU/22_8090_01_e.pdf> |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined.**Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined. |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [****X]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** 27 November 2022**[****]** **Trade facilitating measure**  |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****X]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 3 February 2023**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:** Saudi Food and Drug Authority - Food SectorContact person: Dr. Majid M. AlKhalafSFDA - 4904 North Ring branch rd- Hitteen Dist Unit Number (1) - Riyadh 13513 - 7148Tel: +(966 11) 203 8222, Ext. 4915E-mail: spsep.food@sfda.gov.saWebsite: <http://www.sfda.gov.sa> |
| **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:** Saudi Food and Drug Authority - Food SectorContact person: Dr. Majid M. AlKhalafSFDA - 4904 North Ring branch rd- Hitteen Dist Unit Number (1) - Riyadh 13513 - 7148Tel: +(966 11) 203 8222, Ext. 4915E-mail: spsep.food@sfda.gov.saWebsite: <http://www.sfda.gov.sa> |