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):** Materials and articles in contact with foodstuffs |
| **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:** Draft of Egyptian Standard ES 494-2 "Tableware – Part 2: Requirements for stainless steel cutlery and silver-plated utensils".**Language(s):** Arabic. **Number of pages:** 28 |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This draft of Egyptian Standard ES 494-2 specifies material, performance requirements and test methods for table cutlery (knives, forks, spoons, carving sets, ladles, children's cutlery and other serving pieces).  This Standard is applicable to stainless steel cutlery and to silver-plated nickel silver, or silver-plated stainless steel, cutlery.  It does not cover cutlery made wholly of precious metals, aluminium, non stainless steel or made entirely of nickel silver, nor does it cover gold-plated or chromium-plated cutlery. Three minimum thicknesses of silver are specified for silver-plated cutlery.  Worth mentioning is that this draft standard is technically identical with ISO 8442-2/1997 (confirmed in 2019). |
| **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 8442-2/1997 (confirmed in 2019) |
| **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: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined.  **[ ]****Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****X]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 14 May 2021  **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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