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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1. Notifying Member: <u>EGYPT</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: Egyptian Organization for Standardization and Quality Address: 16 Tadreeb El-Modarrebeen St., Ameriya, Cairo- Egypt Tel: + (202) 22845528 Fax: + (202) 22845504 E-mail: eos@idsc.net.eg / eos.tbt@eos.org.eg Website: http://www.eos.org.eg Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:
3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other:
4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): ICS 13.060.10 (Water of natural resources)
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Ministerial Decree No. 1309/2017 (2 pages, in Arabic), mandating the Egyptian Standard ES1588 "Potable Bottled Natural Mineral Water" (12 page(s), in Arabic)
6. Description of content: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Ministerial Decree No. 1309/2017 gives the producers and importers a sixmonth transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES1588 which is concerned with the essential and hygienic requirements, microbiological characteristics and methods of inspection and testing of potable bottled natural mineral water.• Worth mentioning is that this standard is technically identical with Codex Stan 108-1981, Adopted 1981. Amendment 2001, 2011. Revisions 1997, 2008 "Natural mineral water"
7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Human health and consumer protection
8. Relevant documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ministerial Decrees 1309/2017"• Codex Stan 108-1981, Adopted 1981. Amendment 2001, 2011. Revisions 1997, 2008 "Natural mineral water"

9. Proposed date of adoption: 15 October 2017

Proposed date of entry into force: 24 November 2017

10. Final date for comments: 60 days from notification

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

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