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## **Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade**

## NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1. Notifying Member: EGYPT

If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):

2. Agency responsible:

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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): Domestic reference
- 5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Ministerial Decree No. 1307/2017 (2 pages, in Arabic) mandating the Egyptian Standard ES 8131/2017 "practice analysis to evaluation of precious metals, jewellery and precious metal maker, expert of evaluation of precious metals and stones" (13 pages, in Arabic).
- **Description of content:** The Ministerial Decree No.1307/2017 gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 8131/2017 which specifies the requirements that must be met in the person conducting the analysis of precious metals to determine their calibre, or in the jewellery industry of precious metals or valuables for precious metals and precious stones, as well as procedures for obtaining a license to practice each profession according to its specialization.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Consumer protection
- 8. Relevant documents:
  - Ministerial Decree No. 1307/2017
  - Egyptian Law No. (68) for the year 1976 regarding the jewels and precious stones and the regulations for the profession issued Administration of Assay and Weights
  - Egyptian Classification of occupations 2017
- 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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