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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: EGYPT
	If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible:
	Egyptian Organization for Standardization and Quality 16 Tadreeb El-Modarrebeen St., Ameriya, Cairo - Egypt E-mail: <u>eos@idsc.net.eg</u> / <u>eos.tbt@eos.org.eg</u> Website: <u>http://www.eos.org.eg</u> Tel.: + (202) 22845528 Fax: + (202) 22845504
	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): Leather and furs, ICS 59.140.30.
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Ministerial Decree No. 477/2018 (3 pages, in Arabic) mandating the Egyptian standard ES 7322 "Essential requirements of safety and health in leather products and its components" (23 pages, in Arabic).
6.	Description of content: The Ministerial Decree No. 477/2018 gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 7322 which specifies the basic specifications for the health and safety of products made of all kinds of raw materials, whether natural leather, industrial alternatives, synthetic leather, polymers, fabric, or a mixture of them.
	Worth mentioning is that this standard is identical with Commission Regulation (EC) No 552/2009 Amending Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Health, safety requirements and consumer protection.
8.	Relevant documents:
	Ministerial Decree No. 477/2018.
	 Commission Regulation (EC) No 552/2009 Amending Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 Of The European Parliament And Of The Council On The Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation And Restriction Of Chemicals (REACH) As Regards Annex XVII.

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9. Proposed date of adoption: 22 May 2018

Proposed date of entry into force: 24 June 2018

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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