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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

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>EGYPT</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> The National Food Safety Authority (NFSA) 110 Kasr Alaini Street, Cairo, Egypt. Tel: 27933493 Tel: 27933497 Fax: 27933496 Email: <a href="mailto:info@nfsa.gov.eg">info@nfsa.gov.eg</a> <b>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:</b>
<b>3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>
<b>4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Food
<b>5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> The Decision of the Board of Directors of the National Food Safety Authority (NFSA) No. 8/2020. (2 page(s), in Arabic)
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Based on risk analysis principles and in response to COVID-19 this decision provides for a temporarily reduction in the percentage of consignments of imported Food raw materials and final food products subjected to inspection to be 25% provided that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The imported food raw materials consignments are imported by food establishments registered in the "White List" at the National Food Safety Authority (NFSA). Conditions for registration in the "White List" can be found at the NFSA website (<a href="http://www.nfsa.gov.eg">www.nfsa.gov.eg</a>).</li><li>• The final food products fall under the auspices of Decision No. 2/2020 of the National Food Safety Authority (NFSA), whereby the consignments are accompanied by a pre-shipment Certificate of Conformity (COC's) through a conformity assessment body that is registered and accredited at the National Food Safety Authority (NFSA) according to Decision No. 2/2020.</li><li>• The NFSA Chairman may change the percentage of inspection of imports of Food products and raw materials in accordance with any changes that may occur.</li></ul> This decision shall be implemented until 31 October 2020.
<b>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Food Safety and consumer protection; Reducing trade barriers and facilitating trade

<b>8. Relevant documents:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Decision of the Board of Directors of the National Food Safety Authority No. 2/2020, No. 3/2020, and No. 8/2020</li><li>• Codex Guidelines for Food Import Control Systems (CAC/GL 47-2003)</li></ul>
<b>9. Proposed date of adoption:</b> 26 July 2020 <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> 14 August 2020
<b>10. Final date for comments:</b> NA
<b>11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:</b> Egyptian Organization for Standardization and Quality 16 Tadreeb El-Modarrebeen St., Ameriya, Cairo - Egypt E-mail: <a href="mailto:eos@idsc.net.eg">eos@idsc.net.eg</a> / <a href="mailto:eos.tbt@eos.org.eg">eos.tbt@eos.org.eg</a> Website: <a href="http://www.eos.org.eg">http://www.eos.org.eg</a> Tel: + (202) 22845528 Fax: + (202) 22845504