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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 16 Tadreeb El-Modarrebeen St., Ameriya, Cairo – Egypt E-mail: eos@idsc.net.eg / eos.tbt@eos.org.eg Website: http://www.eos.org.eg 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 [], 3.2 [], 7.2 [], other:
4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Gas cylinders (ICS code(s): 23.020.35)
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Ministerial Decree No. 502 /2023 (4 pages, in Arabic) mandating the Egyptian Standard ES 5438 for " Gas cylinders — Outlet connections for gas cylinder valves for compressed breathable air".; (43 page(s), in English)
6. Description of content: The Ministerial Decree No. 502 /2023 gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian standard ES 5438 which specifies the characteristics of outlet connections for gas cylinder valves for compressed breathable air gas cylinders. It states the fundamental requirements for both; the connection and its components and includes basic dimensions. Included in this standard the following connections: a) Yoke type outlet connection for SCUBA use up to a maximum cylinder working pressure of 232 bar; b) Threaded type outlet connections up to a maximum cylinder working pressure of 232 bar and 300 bar; and c) Threaded type outlet connection for SCUBA use up to a maximum cylinder working pressure of 232 bar including adaptor for users to convert into a yoke type outlet. Annex A gives the outlet connection type test procedures. Worth mentioning is that this standard adopts the technical content of ISO 12209:2013 (confirmed 2018), ISO 12209:2013/AMD 1:2016

7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Safety requirements; Quality requirements
8.	Relevant documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ministerial Decree No. 502/2023• ISO 12209:2013 (confirmed 2018), ISO 12209:2013/AMD 1:2016
9.	Proposed date of adoption: 18 December 2023 Proposed date of entry into force: 5 January 2024
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: Egyptian Organization for Standardization and Quality Address: 16 Tadreeb El-Modarrebeen St., Ameriya, Cairo- Egypt E-mail: eos@idsc.net.eg / eos.tbt@eos.org.eg Website: http://www.eos.org.eg Tel: + (202) 22845528 Fax: + (202) 22845504