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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 [], 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): Domestic safety (ICS code(s): 13.120); Electric heaters (ICS code(s): 97.100.10)
- 5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Ministerial Decree No. 499 /2023 (4 pages, in Arabic) mandating the Egyptian Standard ES 7299 " Household and similar electrical appliances Safety Particular requirements for foot warmers and heating mats".; (59 page(s), in English)
- 6. Description of content: The Ministerial Decree No. 499 /2023 gives producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian standard ES 7299 which deals with the safety of electric foot warmers and heating mats for household and similar purposes, their rated voltage being not more than 250 V. Appliances not intended for normal household use but which nevertheless may be a source of danger to the public, such as appliances intended to be used by laymen in shops, in light industry and on farms, are within the scope of this standard. As far as is practicable, this standard deals with the common hazards presented by appliances that are encountered by all persons in and around the home. However, in general, it does not take into account persons (including children) whose physical, sensory or mental capabilities; or lack of experience and knowledge prevents them from using the appliance safely without supervision or instruction. It also does not take into account children playing with the appliance.

Worth mentioning is that this standard adopts the technical content of IEC 60335-2-81:2015+AMD1:2017+AMD2:2020 CSV

7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Safety requirements; Protection of the environment

8. Relevant documents:

Ministerial Decree No. 499 /2023

• IEC 60335-2-81:2015+AMD1:2017+AMD2:2020 CSV

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:

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