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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): Electrical accessories in general (ICS code(s): 29.120.01); Doors and windows (ICS code(s): 91.060.50)
- 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 7291 for "Household and similar electrical appliances Safety- Particular requirements for drives for shutters, awnings, blinds and similar equipment"; (66 page(s), in English)
- 6. Description of content: The Ministerial Decree No. 499 /2023 (4 pages, in Arabic) gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian standard ES 7291 which deals with the safety of electric drives for shutters, blinds and awnings, intended for household and similar purposes, their rated voltage being not more than 250 V for single-phase drives and 480 V for other drives, including direct current (DC) supplied appliances and battery-operated appliances. Examples of equipment that can be driven are:
  - Spring controlled folding arm awnings;
  - Curtains;
  - Grilles covering doors and windows;
  - Projection screens;
  - Shutters covering doors and windows;
  - Draperies.

Worth mentioning is that this standard adopts the technical content of IEC 60335-2-

97:2023

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

- 8. Relevant documents:
  - Ministerial Decree No. 499 /2023
  - IEC 60335-2-97:2023
- 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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