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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): Milk and processed milk products (ICS code(s): 67.100.10)
- 5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Ministerial Decree No. 143 /2024 (1 page, in Arabic) mandating the Egyptian Standard ES 8042 for "fermented milks".; (13 page(s), in Arabic)
- 6. Description of content: The Ministerial Decree No.143/ 2024 gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian standard ES 8042 which specifies the essential requirements and descriptive criteria of fermented milks, which include fermented milks, heat-treated fermented milks, concentrated fermented milks, and complex dairy products, with the exception of labneh, which depend on the use of these milks and are prepared for direct consumption or for other manufacturing processes and which are consistent with the definitions stated in Clause 2.

Worth mentioning is that this standard is technically identical with Codex Stan. 243 – Adopted in 2003. Revised in 2008, 2010, 2018. Amended in 2022.

- Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Health, consumer protection and safety.
- Relevant documents:
 - Ministerial Decree No. 143 /2024
 - Codex Stan. 243 Adopted in 2003. Revised in 2008, 2010, 2018. Amended in 2022.

9. Proposed date of adoption: 22 April 2024

Proposed date of entry into force: 22 May 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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