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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>ISRAEL</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Israel WTO-TBT Enquiry Point 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: Israel WTO-TBT Enquiry Point Ministry of Economy and Industry Tel.: + (972) 3 7347502 Fax: + (972) 3 7347626 E-mail: Yael.Friedgut@economy.gov.il
3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Processed tomato concentrate (HS: 2002; ICS: 67.080.20)
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: SI 41 – Processed tomato concentrates (6 pages, in English; 10 pages, in Hebrew)
6.	Description of content: Revision of the Mandatory Standard SI 41 dealing with processed tomato concentrates. This draft standard revision is an adoption of the International Codex Alimentarius Standard 57 – 1981, Revision 2007, Amendment 2013 and therefore differs significantly from the old standard. In addition the standard's Hebrew section includes the following deviations from the adopted standard: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Changes the normative references to relevant Israeli and foreign laws, regulations, standards and official documents;• Changes the 2 footnotes refer to paragraph 2.1 dealing with product definition;• Changes paragraph 2.2 dealing with the following product designations: tomato puree, tomato paste, tomato paste with added sugar, tomato concentrates and tomato concentrates with added sugar;• Changes paragraph 3.1.2 dealing with other permitted ingredients listed under the essential composition and quality factors;• Changes some of the quality criteria listed in paragraph 3.2;• Changes the requirements of paragraph 3.4 dealing with the lot acceptance;• Changes paragraph 3.5.1 dealing with the general product requirements and requires that the product will comply also with paragraph 201 of Israel standard SI 143;• Changes the specific reference to Israeli laws, regulations, standards and official documents in the following paragraphs: paragraph 4 – food additives, paragraph 5 – contaminants and paragraph 6 – hygiene;• Deletes paragraph 4.1 dealing with acidity regulators;• Changes paragraph 6 and adds new requirements for preservation capability;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adds a few changes to paragraph 7.1 dealing with the fill of container; • Changes some of the requirements of paragraph 8 dealing with labelling; • Changes the references for some of the methods for analysis and sampling mentioned in paragraph 9. <p>This revision will enter into force 2 years after publication in Israel Official Gazette, Section of Government Notices.</p>
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health or safety
8.	Relevant documents: Israel Mandatory Standard SI 41 (May 1991)
9.	Proposed date of adoption: To be determined Proposed date of entry into force: 2 years after publication in Israel Official Gazette, Section of Government Notices
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: http://www.economy.gov.il/standartization/WTO_TBT/ISR_Text/SI41_Jan15.pdf http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/download/standards/237/CXS_057e.pdf