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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: ZIMBABWE
	If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Health and Child Care
3.	Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): All pre-packaged foods for human consumption
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
	[X] All trading partners
	[] Specific regions or countries:
5.	Title of the notified document: Proposed Food and Food Standards (Pre-packaged Food Labelling) Regulations SI 265 of 2002 Amendments Language(s): English Number of pages:
6.	Description of content: This document outlines the amendments being proposed to an existing statutory instrument on labelling for pre-packaged foods. It adds certain requirements for the declaration of the GMO content of foods, change of best before dates, new Nutrient Reference Values (NRVs) for nutritional claims, and declaration of caffeine levels in energy and other soft drinks.
7.	Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [] animal health, [] plant protection, [X] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:
	[X] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text) CODEX Standard on labelling of pre-packaged foods
	[] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)
	[] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number)
	[] None
	Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?
	[X] Yes [] No
	If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: None

10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 30 November 2016Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 30 November 2016

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 2 January 2017
 - [X] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 29 October 2016

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