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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. Member to Agreement notifying: <u>BAHRAIN</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: Standards & Metrology Directorate (BSMD) 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: Ministry of Industry and Commerce P.O.Box 5479, Kingdom of Bahrain Tel: +973 17574880 Fax: +973 17530730 E-mail: bsmd@commerce.gov.bh . Website: http://www.moic.gov.bh/
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): Tehena (ICS: 67)
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Tehena (8 pages, in Arabic; 5 pages, in English).
6. Description of content: This draft technical regulation specifies the requirements stated in the Gulf standard (GSO) "Tehena" under clause 5 and 8 (packaging and labeling) as mandatory requirements. It specifies as follows: 1. The product shall be packed in containers, which will safeguard the hygienic, nutritional and organoleptic quality of the end product; 2. The product shall occupy not less than 90% of the water capacity of the container. It also describes label requirements such as : • The name of the food shall be "Tehena"; • Expiration period of the product.
7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: To maintain consumer protection and food safety.
8. Relevant documents: - GSO "Tehena" - Codex Stan 259-R - 2007 "Tehena" - Egyptian standard 941 "White Tehena"

9.	Proposed date of adoption: Proposed date of entry into force:	}	To be determined.
10.	Final date for comments: 60 days from the notification date		
11.	Text available from: National enquiry point [X], or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body:		