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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>ALBANIA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Resources 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: National Enquiry Point
3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [X], 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): Seeds of oil and fibre plants
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Draft Decision of Council of Ministers "On the marketing and the certification of seeds of oil and fibre plants" (30 pages, in Albanian)
6.	Description of content: This Draft Decision of Council of Ministers determines the criteria for marketing of seeds of oil and fibre plants, categories, identity and quality of the seeds of oil and fibre plants, the rules of packaging and labelling certification procedures, criteria for storage, sampling for laboratory tests for certification of these seeds in order to placing them on the market.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Seeds of oil and fibre plants should be allowed to be marketed only if it has been officially examined and certified, in accordance with the rules for certification, as basic seed or certified seed.
8.	Relevant documents: Council Directive 2002/57/EC of 13 June 2002 "On the marketing of seed of oil and fibre plants"
9.	Proposed date of adoption: 2 August 2016 Proposed date of entry into force: 17 October 2016
10.	Final date for comments: 60 days after circulation by WTO Secretariat
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body: General Directorate of Standardization WTO Enquiry Point – Albania Tel.: +355 42 22 62 55 Fax: +355 42 24 71 77 E-mail: info@dps.gov.al http://www.dps.gov.al