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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN, THE STATE OF KUWAIT, OMAN, QATAR, KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA, YEMEN
 - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- 2. Agency responsible: SPS Enquiry point, Saudi food and Drug Authority
- 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): Cereals, pulses and derived products (ICS Code: 67.060)
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [X] All trading partners
 - [] Specific regions or countries:
- **Title of the notified document:** The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia/The Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf Draft Technical Regulation for: "Barley Flour".
 Language(s): Arabic and English. Number of pages: 7 and 6

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- **6. Description of content:** This draft technical regulation applies to barley flour prepared for direct human consumption of barley grain (*Hordeum vulgare*) and does not include malt flour.
- 7. Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [] animal health, [] plant protection, [] 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:
 - [] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):
 - [] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):
 - [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
 - [X] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

[]Yes []No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

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9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Egyptian Arabic Standards 6639/2008 (barley flour) 10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [X] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): Trade facilitating measure [] Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the 12. notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 5 November 2016 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: SPS Enquiry point, Saudi food and Drug Authority SFDA - 3292 North Ring road Al Nafel Area Unt (1) - Riyadh 13312 - 6288 Tel: +(966 11) 203 8222, Ext. 3331 Fax: +(966 11) 210 9825 E-mail: SPSEP.Food@sfda.gov.sa Website: http://www.sfda.gov.sa 13. Text(s) available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: SPS Enguiry point, Saudi food and Drug Authority SFDA - 3292 North Ring road Al Nafel Area Unt (1) - Riyadh 13312 - 6288 Tel: +(966 11) 2038222, Ext. 3331 Fax: +(966 11) 210 9825 E-mail: SPSEP.Food@sfda.gov.sa Website: http://www.sfda.gov.sa