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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: <u>QATAR</u>
 - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- 2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Environment
- 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): Fresh tomatoes (ICS Code: 67.080)
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [] All trading partners
 - [X] Specific regions or countries: Gulf area
- 5. Title of the notified document: "Fresh Tomatoes" Language(s): Arabic Number of pages: 8

http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2014/sps/QAT/14_3724_00_x.pdf

- 6. Description of content: This draft technical regulation applies to requirements that need to be available in fresh tomatoes (class: *Lycopersicon esculentum*, family: Solanaceae).
- 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:
 - [X] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text) CODEX STANDARD FOR TOMATOES (CODEX STAN 293-2008)
 - [] 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: Egyptian Standard No. 1795/2007, "Fruits of fresh tomatoes" (available in Arabic)

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
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 17 October 2014

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