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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

AGREEMENT REACHED BY A MEMBER WITH ANOTHER COUNTRY OR COUNTRIES ON ISSUES RELATED TO TECHNICAL REGULATIONS, STANDARDS OR CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES

NOTIFICATION

Under Article 10.7 of the Agreement "Whenever a Member has reached an agreement with any other country or countries on issues related to technical regulations, standards or conformity assessment procedures which may have a significant effect on trade, at least one Member party to the agreement shall notify other Members through the Secretariat of the products to be covered by the agreement and include a brief description of the agreement." The following notification under Article 10.7 has been received.

- 1. Notifying Member: Namibia
- 2. Title of the bilateral or plurilateral Agreement: Agreement on mutual recognition of conformity assessment procedures between Namibia and South Africa (Namibian Standards Institution (NSI)) and (National Regulatory for Compulsory Specification of South Africa (NRCS)
- 3. Parties to the Agreement: Namibia; South Africa
- 4. Date of entry into force of Agreement: 9 November 2021
- **5. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading):** Fish and fishery products and canned meat and fish products
- 6. Subject matter covered by the Agreement (technical regulations, standards or conformity assessment procedures): Conformity assessment procedures
- **7. Brief description of the Agreement:** This agreement between NSI and NRCS for arrangements in regard to Inspection of fish and fishery products and canned meat and fish products and for Legal Metrology matters. It is inclusive of cooperation in the areas of consumer protection, food safety, conformity, and regulatory assessment in the promotion of trade. Recognition of each other's certification, certification marks of conformity for trading purposes. Allows the parties to facilitate or undertake on behalf of one another, or jointly any pre-shipment inspection of designated products traded between the two countries.
- 8. Further information available from: Namibian Standards Institution (NSI)

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