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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

Revision

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

- 1. Notifying Member: <u>SOUTH AFRICA</u>
 If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
- 2. Agency responsible: Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
 Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and website
 addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments
 regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:

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- 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): Soya beans, whether or not broken. (HS 1201), FOOD TECHNOLOGY (ICS 67).
- **5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Regulations relating to the grading, packing and marking of soya beans intended for sale in the Republic of South Africa (8 pages, in English).
- **6. Description of content:** The proposed regulations cover the quality standards, containers, packing and marking requirements, sampling procedures, methods of inspection, determination of other substances, mass determination, determination of deviations, moisture content, determination of wet pods, other grains, defective soya beans, soiled beans, etc offences and penalties.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Consumer Information and Labelling; Protection of human health and safety.
- 8. Relevant documents:
 - Government Notice R.225 of 6 March 2009, R493 of 8 May 2009
 - Agricultural Product Standards Act, 1990 (Act No. 119 of 1990).

9. Proposed date of adoption: 2014
Proposed date of entry into force: 2014

10. Final date for comments: 31 December 2013

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X], or address, telephone or fax numbers, e-mail and web-site address, if available of the other body:

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