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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>KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Standards & Metrology Directorate (BSMD) 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: Ministry of Industry and Commerce P.O. Box 5479, Kingdom of Bahrain Tel: +973 17574880 Fax: +973 17530730 E-mail: bsmd@moic.gov.bh Website: http://www.moic.gov.bh
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): Fruit and vegetable products - Frozen mixed vegetables (ICS: 67.080.10)
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Fruit and Vegetable Products - Frozen Mixed Vegetables (4 pages in English, 7 pages in Arabic).
6.	Description of content: The notified draft technical regulation specifies the mandatory requirements of packaging, storage & labelling which are stated in the document under clauses 5, 8 & 9 respectively. They are illustrated as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Frozen Mixed Vegetables shall be packed in a package of appropriate clean & hygienic material which does not cause contamination occur to the frozen mixed vegetables that affect its suitability for human consumption.• The package shall be hermetically sealed and free from any physical defects which may lead to any change in physical properties of the products during manufacturing, storage and handling processes.• The store shall be well ventilated and away from pollution.• The temperature of the frozen mixed vegetables shall not exceed (-18°C) during storage.• In addition to the requirements of the Gulf Standard for Labelling of Pre-packaged Foods, the following provisions apply: the type of product, Ingredients, Nutritional Value, method of cooking shall be declared on the label of the product.• The labelling and adjoining explanatory statements shall be written in Arabic and, where another language is used, it shall be alongside the Arabic. All the information provided in another language shall be identical with those written in Arabic.

7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: To maintain consumer protection and food safety.
8.	Relevant documents: GSO "Fruit and Vegetable Products - Frozen Mixed Vegetables"
9.	Proposed date of adoption: To be determined Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined
10.	Final date for comments: 60 days from the notification date
11.	Text available from: National enquiry point [X], or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body: