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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.	<b>Notifying Member:</b> <u>KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Standards & Metrology Directorate (BSMD)  <b>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:</b>  Ministry of Industry and Commerce P.O. Box 5479, Kingdom of Bahrain Tel: +973 17574880 Fax: +973 17530730 E-mail: <a href="mailto:bsmd@moic.gov.bh">bsmd@moic.gov.bh</a> Website: <a href="http://www.moic.gov.bh">http://www.moic.gov.bh</a>
3.	<b>Notified under Article 2.9.2 [ X ], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>
4.	<b>Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Martadella (luncheon) meat (ICS : 67.120)
5.	<b>Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Martadella (Luncheon) Meat (5 pages in English, 10 pages in Arabic).
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> The notified draft technical regulation specifies the mandatory requirements of packaging & labelling stated in the document under clauses 7.1 & 8 respectively.  They are illustrated as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Martadella (luncheon) meat shall be packed in appropriate clean &amp; safe containers made of materials which do not cause contamination and damage to the product and do not affect its properties &amp; quality.</li><li>• The package shall be 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.</li><li>• In addition to the requirements of the Gulf Standard for Labelling of Pre-packaged Foods, the following provisions apply: the name of the food shall be "martadella (luncheon)", the list of ingredients shall indicate the species of animals from which the martadella is derived, and the food additives to be declared on the label.</li><li>• 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.</li></ul>

7.	<b>Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b>	To maintain consumer protection and food safety.
8.	<b>Relevant documents:</b> - GSO 1818 "Martadella (Luncheon)" - Codex Standard No 89 "Luncheon meat"	
9.	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b>	To be determined To be determined
10.	<b>Final date for comments:</b>	60 days from the notification date
11.	<b>Text available from:</b>	National enquiry point [X], or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body: