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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

- 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:

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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): Vegetables and fruit and their products Turnip brassica rapa (ICS: 67.080.20)
- 5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Vegetables and fruit and their products Turnip brassica rapa (3 pages in English, 6 pages in Arabic).
- **6. Description of content:** The notified draft Gulf technical regulation specifies the mandatory requirements of packaging & labelling stated in the document under clauses 5 & 8. They are illustrated as follows:
 - The Turnip brassica rapa shall be packed in any appropriate clean containers made of safe material which does not cause contamination and damage to the product and do not affect the properties & quality of the product.
 - In addition to the requirements of the Gulf Standard for Labelling of Pre-packaged Foods, the following provisions apply: the name of the product, name and address of the packer, the trademark if any, quality grade, volumetric class, net weight by international units shall appear on the label.
 - 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 "Vegetables and fruit and their products
- Turnip brassica rapa" ES 1822 "Turnip brassica rapa"
 SNS 2978: 2004 "Turnip brassica rapa"

9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determined Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined

- Final date for comments: 60 days from the notification date 10.
- 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: