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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): Fresh tomatoes (ICS: 67.080)
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Fresh Tomatoes (8 pages, in Arabic)
6.	Description of content: The notified draft technical regulation specifies the mandatory requirements of packaging, & labelling which are stated in the Gulf standard GSO "Fresh Tomatoes" under clauses 10 & 12 respectively. They are illustrated as follows: 1) The product must be packed in suitable containers to maintain product quality and safety, and with the following capacities: 2.5, 10, 15, 20, 25 kg; 2) In addition to the requirements of the Gulf Standard for Labelling of Pre-packaged Foods, the following provisions shall be declared on the product label such as : (a) Name of product, (b) Grade quality, (c) Source and his brand and address, (d) Gross weight (total) and net weight (in international units) when packing or number of fruits, (e) country of origin and (f) Date of packing; 3) 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- GSO 1975 "Fresh Tomatoes"- Codex Stan 293/2008 "Tomatoes"- Egyptian Standard No. 1795/2007 "Fresh Tomatoes"
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.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body: