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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>ISRAEL</u>
 - If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
- 2. Agency responsible: Israel WTO-TBT Enquiry Point

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): Rice (HS 1006); cereals, pulses and derived products (ICS 67.060)
- **5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** SI 7301: Rice (8 pages, in Hebrew; 19 pages, in English)
- **6. Description of content:** Revision of the partially Mandatory Standard SI 1208 to be replaced with SI 7301. This draft standard revision adopts the International Standard ISO 7301 Third edition: 2011-03-01 and therefore is significantly different from the old version. The major differences between them are as follows:
 - Expands the terms and definitions by adding a new paragraph 3a dealing with classification and naming;
 - Adds new contract specifications to Table 1;
 - Adds a new paragraph 4.4 dealing microbiological requirements;
 - Changes the test methods and refers to the updated ISO standard.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health or safety
- 8. Relevant documents:
 - Israel Mandatory Standard SI 1208 (October 1983)
 - International Standard ISO 7301, third edition: 2011-03-01
- **9. Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined

Proposed date of entry into force: Generally 60 days after publication in Israel

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

http://www2.moital.gov.il/cmstamat/rsrc/tkina/SI7301.pdf