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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>THE STATE OF KUWAIT</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Kuwait Standards & Metrology Department (KUWSMD) <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> P.O. BOX 4690 Safat 13047 Kuwait Tel.: +965 253 02 630 Fax: +965 253 02 625 E-mail: <a href="mailto:Enquiry_point@pai.gov.kw">Enquiry_point@pai.gov.kw</a> Website: <a href="http://www.pai.gov.kw">http://www.pai.gov.kw</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> Black pepper, whole and ground (ICS Code: 67.080)
5.	<b>Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Black pepper, whole and ground (8 pages, in English; 7 pages, in Arabic)
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> This draft technical regulation is concerned with the basic requirements that must be met for black pepper ( <i>Piper nigrum</i> L.), whole and ground, definition, requirements, sampling, methods of test and examination, packaging, transportation, storage and labelling.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> To maintain quality of this product, consumer protection and marketing relation of GCC countries and food safety.
8.	<b>Relevant documents:</b> Egyptian standards, No. 385-1/2009 - Pepper, whole or ground – Part 1 - Black pepper
9.	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> To be determined <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> Six months after publication in official Gazette
10.	<b>Final date for comments:</b> 60 days from the date of circulation

- 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**

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