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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

- 1. Notifying Member: <u>OMAN</u>
 If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
- 2. Agency responsible:

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): Fresh fruits and vegetables Avocado (ICS Code: 67.080)
- 5. **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Fresh fruits and vegetables Avocado (10 pages, in English; 11 pages, in Arabic)
- 6. **Description of content:** This Omani/Gulf draft technical regulation concerns the commercial varieties (cultivars) of avocados grown from *Persea americana* Mill., of the *Lauraceae* family, to be supplied fresh to the consumer, after preparation and packaging. Parthenocarpic fruit and avocados for industrial processing are excluded. Items related to provisions concerning tolerance, provisions concerning presentation, packaging, labelling, contamination and hygiene (items 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9) are compulsory. The remaining items are voluntary.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health or safety
- **8. Relevant documents:** GSO standard No. 2131/2011 "Fresh fruits and vegetables Avocado"
- 9. Proposed date of adoption: Not yet determined

Proposed date of entry into force: Not yet determined

10. Final date for comments: 60 days from date of notification

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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