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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>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): Foodstuffs: Sweeteners permitted for use in food products (ICS Code: 67.180.10)
- **5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Sweeteners Permitted for Use in Food Products (9 pages, in English; 17 pages, in Arabic)
- **6. Description of content:** This Omani/Gulf draft technical regulation applies to sugar substitutes permitted for use in energy-reduced food as sweeteners, food without added sugar for diabetics and foods for special dietary uses. Items related to requirements, labelling (items 4 and 7) 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:
  - The Sweeteners in Food (UK) Regulation 2003 (Labelling);
  - Code Federal Regulation part 1 (170.3) (Sucralose);
  - European Regulation Directive Sweeteners 115/EC;
  - European Union Legislation L 259/122;
  - European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) Panel on Food Additives and Nutrients;
  - Sources (ANS) Statement in Relation to the Safety of Erythritol (E 968), 2010.
- 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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