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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>PANAMA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> <i>Dirección de Normas y Tecnología Industrial</i> (Directorate for Standards and Industrial Technology, responsible for processing notifications) <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> As above.
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> International Classification for Standards (ICS) code 67.100.30
5.	<b>Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> <i>Reglamento Técnico DGNTI COPANIT 16-2003: Tecnología de los Alimentos. Leche y Productos Lácteos. Queso Fresco</i> (Directorate for Standards and Industrial Technology - Panamanian Commission for Industrial and Technical Standards (DGNTI-COPANIT) Technical Regulation No. 16-2003: Food technology. Milk and dairy products. Fresh cheese)(6 pages, in Spanish)
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> Purpose, standards for consultation, definitions, requirements, sampling, test method, packaging and labelling, storage, transport and sale, and reference documents.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> The notified technical regulation establishes the technical and sanitary provisions for fresh cheese. It applies to the manufacturing, handling, distribution and marketing of this product. The regulation also applies to all industries producing fresh cheese for sale to the public.
8.	<b>Relevant documents:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• FAO-CODEX standard STAN A-6-1978, General Standard for Cheese</li><li>• Ministry of Health Decree-Law No. 256 of 13 June 1962</li><li>• Ministry of Health Decree No. 1195 of 3 December 1992</li><li>• Law No. 60 of 2 December 1977 of the Ministry of Health</li><li>• Ministry of Health Decree No. 66 of 22 April 1996</li><li>• Ministry of Health Decree No. 352 of 10 October 2001</li></ul>
9.	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> Adopted in August 2005 <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> Immediately
10.	<b>Final date for comments:</b> Not applicable

**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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