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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>KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA</u>
  If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
- 2. Agency responsible: Saudi Standards, Metrology and Quality Organization (SASO)

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): General requirements for Halal food (ICS Code: 67.040)
- **5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia / The Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf Draft Technical Regulation for "General Requirements for Halal Food" (7 pages, in Arabic)
- **6. Description of content:** This draft technical applies to general requirements for Halal food, which specifies the definitions of the product, and the general requirements for Halal food, which must be followed in each stage of the food chain for the products of Halal foods, transportation, storage and labelling.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: As a Muslim country we are working to provide a reliable system for our citizens concerned with their special requirement for Halal foods.
- 8. Relevant documents: -
- **9.** Proposed date of adoption: To be determined

Proposed date of entry into force: Six months after publication in official Gazette

**10. Final date for comments:** 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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