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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

- Notifying Member: <u>SOUTH AFRICA</u>
 If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
- 2. Agency responsible: Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
 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):
 Rice (HS 1006).FOOD TECHNOLOGY (ICS 67).
- 5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Regulations Relating to the Grading, Packing and Marking of Rice intended for sale in the Republic of South Africa in terms of the Agricultural Product Standards Act, 1990 (Act No. 11 of 1990) (12 pages, in English).
- **6. Description of content:** The proposed regulations cover the quality standards, containers, packing and marking requirements, sampling procedures, methods of inspection, offences and penalties, other legislation and repeal of regulation.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Consumer Information. Labelling, Protection of Human health or Safety.
- 8. Relevant documents: Agricultural Product Standard Act, 1990 (Act 119 of 1990)
- 9. Proposed date of adoption: After all comments are receivedProposed date of entry into force: 6 Months after publication
- 10. Final date for comments: 5 May 2014
- 11. Text available from: National enquiry point [X], or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body: