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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>ARGENTINA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> <i>Servicio Nacional de Sanidad y Calidad Agroalimentaria, SENASA</i> (National Agriculture and Food Quality and Health Service)  <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> Enquiry point
3.	<b>Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [X], 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> Organic products for human or animal consumption and organic textile products.
5.	<b>Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> <i>Proyecto de Resolución "Sistema de Producción, Comercialización, Control y Certificación de Productos Orgánicos"</i> (Draft Resolution on the production, marketing, control and certification system for organic products) (156 pages, in Spanish)
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> The notified draft Resolution covers the following organic products for human or animal consumption and organic textile products:  (a) Products of agrarian, animal or aquacultural origin, live or unprocessed, and by-products thereof; (b) Seeds and plant reproductive materials of the products included in (a), for growing crops; (c) Yeasts and mushrooms; (d) Products made with the products in (a); (e) Textile products made with plant or animal fibres from the products in (a).  This draft text replaces the successive regulations issued in this respect since 1992, including those supplementing Law No. 25.127 and its Implementing Decree No. 206/2001.  Existing provisions have been consolidated into one clear text. This facilitates SENASA's application of the production, marketing, control and certification system for organic products, makes the provisions easier to interpret for operators and establishments subject to SENASA inspection, and improves consumer understanding.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> To organize and adapt existing legislation.

<b>8. Relevant documents:</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Law No. 25.127: <a href="http://www.infoleg.gob.ar/infolegInternet/anexos/55000-59999/59885/norma.htm">http://www.infoleg.gob.ar/infolegInternet/anexos/55000-59999/59885/norma.htm</a></li><li>• Implementing Decree No. 206/2001: <a href="http://www.infoleg.gob.ar/infolegInternet/anexos/65000-69999/65966/texact.htm">http://www.infoleg.gob.ar/infolegInternet/anexos/65000-69999/65966/texact.htm</a></li></ul>
<b>9. Proposed date of adoption: -</b> <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> Upon publication in the Official Journal.
<b>10. Final date for comments:</b> 60 days from the date of circulation.
<b>11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:</b>  Dirección Nacional de Comercio Interior Avda. Julio A. Roca 651, Piso 4°, Sector 2 (C1067ABB) Ciudad Autónoma de Buenos Aires Tel.: 54 11 4349 4067 Fax: 54 11 4349 4072 Email: <a href="mailto:focalotc@mecon.gov.ar">focalotc@mecon.gov.ar</a>  Text available at: <a href="http://www.puntofocal.gov.ar/notific_otros_miembros/arg298_t.pdf">http://www.puntofocal.gov.ar/notific_otros_miembros/arg298_t.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2015/TBT/ARG/15_4557_00_s.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2015/TBT/ARG/15_4557_00_s.pdf</a>