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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: KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN
 If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
- 2. Agency responsible: Bahrain Standards & Metrology Directorate (BSMD)

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): Fresh beef, buffalo, mutton, goat and camel meat (ICS: 67.120)
- **5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Fresh Beef, Buffalo, Mutton, Goat and Camel Meat (6 pages, in English; 9 pages, in Arabic)
- 6. **Description of content:** The notified draft technical regulation specifies the mandatory requirements of labelling stated in the Gulf Standard document GSO 996 related "Fresh beef, buffalo, mutton, goat and camel meat " under clause 9 respectively. The labelling and adjoining explanatory statements shall be written in Arabic and, where another language is used, it shall be alongside the Arabic. All the information provided in another language shall be identical with those written in Arabic. They are illustrated as follows:
 - The meat should be marked by an official veterinary that the product is free from contagious diseases and suitable for human consumption
 - The meat should be stamped on both sides in the outer layer of the thigh, waist, back, chest and shoulder
 - Meat pieces should be stamped from the official cutting industry unless it was packed
 - If packed, the following should be stated:
 - Meat type
 - Name of the part
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: To maintain consumer protection and food safety
- 8. Relevant documents: Egyptian Standard "Fresh Meat" ES 4334/200

- 9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determined
 Proposed date of entry into force: To be 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: