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## **Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade**

## 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): General standard for fruit juices and nectars (ICS: 67.160.20)
- 5. **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** General Standard for Fruit Juices and Nectars (27 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 1820 related to "General Standard for Fruit Juices and Nectars" under clause 10. 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 and shall be declared on the label of the product as follows:
  - The name of the product and the fruit used must be the same. In case the product contains more than one type of fruit, it has to be clearly mentioned and the name of the fruits must be illustrated. It can also be titled as "cocktail juice" or "mixed fruit juice".
  - Type of juice:
    - Fruit juice
    - Concentrated fruit juice
    - Dewatered fruit juice
    - Pureed/mashed fruit
    - Concentrated pureed/mashed fruit
    - Fruit nectar

7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: To maintain consumer protection and food safety

- 8. Relevant documents:
  - Codex General Standard for Fruit Juices and Nectars CODEX STAN 247-2005
  - Directive 2012/12/EU amending Council Directive 2001/112/EC Relating to Fruit Juices and Similar Products Intended for Human Consumption (English)
- **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: