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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>CANADA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
- 2. Agency responsible: Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA)

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: Canada's SPS & TBT Notification Authority and Enquiry Point Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development Canada Technical Barriers and Regulations Division (TIB) 111 Sussex Drive, Ottawa, ON K1A 0G2 Canada Telephone: (343)203-4273 Fax: (613)943-0346

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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): Bulk dairy products, maple syrup, maple sugar, canned chicken haddie (a flaked white fish product), canned lobster meat, frozen lobster meat and pickled lobster meat (ICS: 67.100, 67.120, 67.180, 01.120, 55.020)
- 5. **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Regulations Amending Certain Regulations Administered and Enforced by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (6 pages, available in English and French)
- 6. Description of content: The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) is repealing all requirements related to standard weights and container sizes under the Dairy Products Regulations (DPR), the Maple Products Regulations (MPR), and the Fish Inspection Regulations (FIR). The repeals will come into force upon registration.

The repealed requirements in the DPR apply to bulk dairy products, and those in the MPR apply to maple syrup and maple sugar. With respect to the FIR, the repealed requirements apply to a limited number of products including canned chicken haddie (a flaked white fish product), canned lobster meat, frozen lobster meat and pickled lobster meat.

7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: The objective of these regulatory amendments is to remove the requirement to package these products in standard weights and container sizes, allowing industry to use new packaging formats, ease the burden on smaller businesses and provide the necessary flexibility in developing approaches suited to individual business needs and customer preferences.

8. Relevant documents:

Dairy Products Regulations
http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/sor-79-840/index.html (English)
http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/fra/reglements/DORS-79-840/index.html (French)
Maple Products Regulations
http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/C.R.C., c. 289/ (English)
http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/fra/reglements/C.R.C.%2C ch. 289/ (French)
Fish Inspection Regulations
http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/C.R.C., c. 802/ (English)
http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/fra/reglements/C.R.C.%2C ch. 802 / (French)
Proposed date of adoption: 22 April 2015
Proposed date of entry into force: 22 April 2015

10. Final date for comments: -

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11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

The electronic version of the policy document can be downloaded at:

http://www.gazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p2/2015/2015-04-22/pdf/g2-14908.pdf

http://www.gazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p2/2015/2015-04-22/html/sor-dors78-eng.php

http://www.gazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p2/2015/2015-04-22/html/sor-dors78-fra.php