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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: <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u>
If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):

2. Agency responsible: European Commission

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): Food
- **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Draft Commission Regulation refusing to authorise a health claim made on foods, other than those referring to the reduction of disease risk and to children's development and health (3 pages + Annex 2 pages, in English)
- 6. **Description of content:** This draft Commission Regulation concerns the refusal of authorisation of one health claim made on foods, other than those referring to the reduction of disease risk and to children's development and health in accordance with Article 18(5) of Regulation (EC) No 1924/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 December 2006 on nutrition and health claims made on foods.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health and safety.

The proposed measure is a Commission Regulation for one health claim as referred to above under point 6 that has been assessed by the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) with an unfavourable outcome. Therefore the health claim included in that Commission Regulation does not comply with the conditions set out in Regulation (EC) No 1924/2006, and will not be authorised for use on foods because EFSA concluded that it is not scientifically substantiated.

8. Relevant documents: Regulation (EC) No 1924/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 December 2006 on Nutrition and Health Claims Made on Foods. http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2006:404:0009:0025:EN:PDF

9. Proposed date of adoption: October 2015

Proposed date of entry into force: 20 days from publication in the Official Journal of the EU (about a month after adoption approx.)

10. **Final date for comments:** 60 days from notification

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

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