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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

Notifying Member: <u>HONG KONG, CHINA</u>
 If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):

2. Agency responsible:

Food and Health Bureau, Environment Bureau, Food and Environmental Hygiene Department, Centre for Food Safety and Environmental Protection Department under the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

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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:

- 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): Edible fats and oils and "waste cooking oils"
- 5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Legislative Proposals on Regulation of Edible Fats and Oils and Recycling of "Waste Cooking Oils" (43 pages, in English; 40 pages, in Chinese)
- 6. **Description of content:** To further safeguard public health and protect the environment, the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region proposes, through legislative amendments, to amend the statutory safety standards for edible fats and oils and to strengthen the regulation of edible fats and oils manufactured locally, imported into and exported from Hong Kong, and promote the recycling of waste cooking oils through licencing control on local collectors, disposers, importers and exporters of "waste cooking oils".

The proposed safety and quality parameters for edible fats and oils have made reference to the latest standards stipulated by Codex Alimentarius Commissionand other national authorities, and taken local situation into account.

- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: To enhance local legislative control on edible fats and oils by updating statutory safety and quality standards for edible fats and oils; and to strengthen the regulation of edible fats and oils manufactured locally, imported into and exported from Hong Kong and the regulation of "waste cooking oils".
- **8. Relevant documents:** CODEX STAN 210-1999, CODEX STAN 211-1999, CODEX STAN 33-1981, CODEX STAN 19-1981
- 9. Proposed date of adoption: To be notified

Proposed date of entry into force: To be notified

- 10. Final date for comments: 6 October 2015
- 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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The notified text could also be downloaded from the following websites:

In English:

http://www.cfs.gov.hk/english/whatsnew/whatsnew_fstr/whatsnew_fstr_Regulation_of_Edible Fats and Oils and Recycling of Waste Cooking Fats and Oils.html

or

 $\underline{\text{http://www.epd.gov.hk/epd/english/environmentinhk/waste/pub_consult/waste_consult.htm}} \underline{I}$

In Chinese:

http://www.cfs.gov.hk/tc_chi/whatsnew/whatsnew_fstr/whatsnew_fstr_Regulation_of_Edible_Fats_and_Oils_and_Recycling_of_Waste_Cooking_Fats_and_Oils.html

http://www.epd.gov.hk/epd/tc_chi/environmentinhk/waste/pub_consult/waste_consult.html