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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>UNITED ARAB EMIRATES</u>, <u>KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN</u>, <u>STATE OF KUWAIT</u>, <u>OMAN</u>, <u>QATAR</u>, <u>KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA</u>, <u>YEMEN</u>

 If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
- **2. Agency responsible:** Directorate General for Specifications & Metrology

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): Ginseng products offered for direct consumption (ICS: 67.000.00)
- **5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Ginseng Products (20 pages, in English; 25 pages, in Arabic)
- **Description of content:** This Omani/Gulf draft technical regulation concerns with ginseng products and offered for direct consumption, including for catering purposes or for repacking if required. It does not apply to the product when indicated as being intended for further processing. This standard applies to ginseng products1 used as a food or food ingredient and does not apply to products used for medicinal purposes. All items are compulsory. Items) 3,4,5,6 and 7) Definitions, Essential composition and quality factors, Contaminants, Hygiene and labelling are compulsory. Remaining items are voluntary.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Consumer health
- **8. Relevant documents:** Codex Standard 321:2015 "Standard for ginseng products"
- 9. Proposed date of adoption: -
 - Proposed date of entry into force: 180 days from date of publication of approved version
- **10. Final date for comments:** 60 days from the 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:

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