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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: PANAMA

If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2): Not applicable. In Panama, technical regulations are not prepared by local government; only the Directorate-General for Standards and Industrial Technology, a National Standardization Body, is so authorized.

2. Agency responsible:

Dirección General de Normas y Tecnología Industrial (Directorate-General for Standards and Industrial Technology), Ministerio de Comercio e Industrias (Ministry of Trade and Industry)

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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): 67,160
- **5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Reglamento Técnico DGNTI-COPANIT 21-2018, Agua Potable. (Technical Regulation DGNTI-COPANIT 21-2018, Drinking Water). Definiciones y Requisitos Generales (Definitions and General Requirements) (17 pages, in Spanish)
- **6. Description of content:** Purpose and scope, documents for national consultation, definitions, requirements, conformity assessment, monitoring and control, liability of providers, sampling programme, sampling and testing, determination of sampling points, mandatory nature of the analyses and compliance criteria, additional sampling, exceptional authorizations, risk management, service providers registration and information, frequency of sampling
- **7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** The purpose of this Technical Regulation is to establish the physical, chemical, biological and radiological requirements for drinking water. The Regulation applies to water supply systems in urban as well as rural areas.

8. Relevant documents:

- Decree Law No. 2 of 7 January 1997
- Resolution JD-3286 of 22 April 2002

Resolution 507 of 30 December 2003

Resolution AN 1480-Agua, of 15 February 2008

9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determined

Proposed date of entry into force: Six months after publication in the Official Journal

10. Final date for comments: 22 March 2018

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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