NOTIFICATION OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS UNDER   
ARTICLE 63.2 OF THE TRIPS AGREEMENT

MEXICO: GENERAL DECLARATION ON PROTECTION OF  
THE APPELLATION OF ORIGIN "YAHUALICA"

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| **Notifying Member** | | **Mexico** |
| **Details of the notified legal text** | | |
| **Title** | | *Declaración General de Protección de la Denominación de Origen Yahualica* (General Declaration on Protection of the Appellation of Origin "Yahualica") |
| **Subject matter** | | Geographical indications |
| **Nature of notification** | | ⬛Main dedicated intellectual property law or regulation  ⬜Other law or regulation |
| **Link to legal text** | | <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/IP/MEX/18_2618_00_s.pdf> |
| **Notification status** | | ⬛ First notification  ⬜ Amendment or revision to notified legal text  ⬜ Replacement or consolidation of notified legal text(s) |
| **Previous notification(s) referred to** | | Not applicable |
| **Brief description of the notified legal text**  The Declaration provides for protection of the appellation of origin "Yahualica" in order to protect the fresh and dried *chile de árbol* (tree chili) fruit belonging to the species with the following taxonomic classification: Kingdom: Plantae; Division: Magnoliophyta; Class: Magnoliopsida; Order: Solanaceae; Family: Solanacea; Genus: Capsicum L., 1753; and Species: annuum L., 1753.  Yahaulica chili is produced in 11 municipalities, of which nine (Yahualica de González Gallo, Mexticacán, Teocaltiche, Cañadas de Obregón, Jalostotitlán, Encarnación de Díaz, Villa Hidalgo, Cuquío and Ixtlahuacán del Río) are located in the Los Altos region of the State of Jalisco, and two (Nochistlán de Mejía and Apulco) in the State of Zacatecas.  The cultivation of the Yahaulica chili has given rise to a whole culture stemming from the artisanal process through which the fruit is obtained, setting it apart from chilis produced in other Mexican regions and states and making it an essential part of the local diet and the key component of many dishes in Jalisco's cuisine. It is thus seen by the population as a symbol of identity, and is reflected in all cultural events featuring their traditions. | | |
| **Language(s) of notified legal text** | | Spanish |
| **Entry into force** | | The Declaration will enter into effect on the day following its publication in the Official Journal |
| **Other date** | | Adoption 16 March 2018 |
| **Notification details** | | |
| **Submission date of notification** | 13 April 2018 | |
| **Other information** |  | |
| **Agency or authority responsible** | *Instituto Mexicano de la Propiedad Industrial* (Mexican Industrial Property Institute) | |