NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Burundi  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:**  Burundi Bureau of Standards and Quality Control (BBN) Boulevard de la Tanzanie N° 500 BP: 3535 Bujumbura, Burundi Tel: +25722221815/+25722221577 E- Mail: [info@bbnburundi.org](mailto:info@bbnburundi.org) Website: [www.bbn-burundi.org](http://www.bbn-burundi.org)  **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 [****X],** **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 oils and fats. Oilseeds (ICS 67.200) |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Palm stearin — Specification (18 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This East Africa Standard adopted as Burundi standard specifies the requirements, sampling and test methods for crude, semi-refined and refined palm stearin derived from fleshy mesocarp of the fruit of the oil palm (*Elaeis guineensis*).  Note: Palm stearin refers to crude, semi-refined and refined palm stearin. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Consumer information, labelling; Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Quality requirements; Harmonization |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**   * AOAC 952.13, *Arsenic in food. Silver diethyldithiocarbamate* * CODEX STAN 192, *General standard for food additives* * EAS 38, *Labelling of pre-packaged foods — Specification* * EAS 39, *Hygiene in the food and drink manufacturing industry — Code of practice* * ISO 660, *Animal and vegetable fats and oils — Determination of acid value and acidity* * ISO 661, *Animal and vegetable fats and oils — Preparation of test sample* * ISO 662, *Animal and vegetable fats and oils — Determination of moisture and volatile matter content* * ISO 663, *Animal and vegetable fats and oils — Determination of insoluble impurities content* * ISO 3596, *Animal and vegetable fats and oils — Determination of unsaponifiable matter — Method using diethyl ether extraction* * ISO 3657, *Animal and vegetable fats and oils — Determination of saponification value* * ISO 3960, *Animal and vegetable fats and oils — Determination of peroxide value — Iodometric (visual) endpoint determination* * ISO 3961, *Animal and vegetable fats and oils — Determination of iodine value* * ISO 5508, *Animal and vegetable fats and oils — Analysis by gas chromatography of methyl esters of fatty acids* * ISO 5555, *Animal and vegetable fats and oils — Sampling* * ISO 6320, *Animal and vegetable fats and oils — Determination of refractive index* * ISO 6321, *Animal and vegetable fats and oils — Determination of melting point in open capillary tubes (Slip point)* * ISO 6883*, Animal and vegetable fats and oils — Determination of conventional mass per volume (litre weight in air)* * ISO 12193, *Animal and vegetable fats and oils — Determination of lead by direct graphite furnace atomic absorption spectroscopy* * ISO 15305*, Animal and vegetable fats and oils — Determination of Lovibond colour* |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined  **Proposed date of entry into force:** To be determined |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 60 days from 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:**  Documentation and Information Centre Division at BBN Boulevard de la Tanzanie N° 500 BP: 3535 Bujumbura, Burundi Tel: +25722221815 or +25722221577 E- Mail: [info@bbnburundi.org](mailto:info@bbnburundi.org) Website: [www.bbn-burundi.org](http://www.bbn-burundi.org) |