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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: EGYPT
 - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- 2. Agency responsible: Egyptian Organization for Standardization and Quality
- 3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Instant coffee
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [X] All trading partners
 - [] Specific regions or countries:
- 5. Title of the notified document: Ministerial Decree No. 219/2021 mandating the Egyptian Standard ES 8448 "Instant Coffee". Language(s): Arabic. Number of pages: 1
- **6. Description of content:** Ministerial Decree No. 219/2021 gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian Standard ES 8448 "Instant coffee" which is concerned with the basic requirements and descriptive criteria for the following coffee products: Instant coffee and Decaffeinated instant coffee.

This standard does not apply to both concentrated liquid coffee extract, and coffee-based products (such as cappuccino, etc.).

It should be noted that this standard cancels and replaces the requirements for instant coffee contained in Egyptian Standard ES No. 517, 1474-1/2005 "Updated 2014".

- 7. Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [] animal health, [] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests.
- 8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:
 - [] Codex Alimentarius Commission (*e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text*):
 - [] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):
 - [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
 - [X] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

[]Yes []No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

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- 9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: ISO 3509/2005 (confirmed in 2018), ISO 10470/2004 (confirmed in 2017)
- 10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 20 May 2021

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 13 June 2021

11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 14 June 2021

[X] Trade facilitating measure

12. Final date for comments: **[X]** Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 18 January 2022

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