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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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### NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>EGYPT</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Egyptian Organization for Standardization and Quality 16 Tadreeb El-Modarrebeen St., Ameriya, Cairo – Egypt E-mail: <a href="mailto:eos@idsc.net.eg">eos@idsc.net.eg</a> / <a href="mailto:eos.tbt@eos.org.eg">eos.tbt@eos.org.eg</a> Website: <a href="http://www.eos.org.eg">http://www.eos.org.eg</a> Tel.: + (202) 22845528 Fax: + (202) 22845504 <b>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:</b>
<b>3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], 3.2 [ ], 7.2 [ ], other:</b>
<b>4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Chocolate (ICS code(s): 67.190)
<b>5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> The Ministerial Decree No. 395/2022 (2 pages, in Arabic) mandating the Egyptian Standard ES 465-3/2022 for "Cocoa and its products - part 3: Chocolate"; (16 page(s), in Arabic)
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The Ministerial Decree No. 395 /2022 gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian standard ES 465-3 which applies to chocolate and chocolate products intended for human consumption and listed in section 2. Chocolate and chocolate products shall be prepared from cocoa and cocoa materials with sugars and may contain sweeteners, milk products, flavouring substances and other food ingredients.  Worth mentioning is that this standard is technically identical to CODEX STAN 87 - 1981 standard for chocolate and chocolate products, adopted in 1981, Revision in 2003, Amendment in 2016.
<b>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Safety and consumer protection
<b>8. Relevant documents:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ministerial Decree No. 395 /2022</li><li>• CODEX STAN 87 - 1981</li></ul>

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| <b>9.</b>  | <b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> 4 July 2022<br><b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> 1 August 2022   |
| <b>10.</b> | <b>Final date for comments:</b> 60 days from notification  |
| <b>11.</b> | <b>Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:</b><br><br>Egyptian Organization for Standardization and Quality<br>Address: 16 Tadreeb El-Modarrebeen St., Ameriya, Cairo- Egypt<br>E-mail: <a href="mailto:eos@idsc.net.eg">eos@idsc.net.eg</a> / <a href="mailto:eos.tbt@eos.org.eg">eos.tbt@eos.org.eg</a><br>Website: <a href="http://www.eos.org.eg">http://www.eos.org.eg</a><br>Tel: + (202) 22845528<br>Fax: + (202) 22845504 |