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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

1. Notifying Member: <u>EGYPT</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: Egyptian Organization for Standardization and Quality 16 Tadreeb El-Modarrebeen St., Ameriya Cairo - Egypt E-mail: eos@idsc.net.eg / eos.tbt@eos.org.eg Website: http://www.eos.org.eg Tel.: + (202) 22845528 Fax: + (202) 22845504 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 [], 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): Tobacco, tobacco products and related equipment (ICS 65.160)
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Ministerial Decree No. 516/2021 (3 pages, in Arabic).
6. Description of content: Ministerial Decree No. 516/2021 which includes the conformity with the latest version of the Egyptian Standard ES No. 8205-1 "General requirements for traditional cigarette alternatives - Part:1 Electronic Cigarettes - Electronic Liquid. This Decree establishes a sub-committee (3/12/1) from the relevant technical committee (3/12) tobacco and tobacco products in the Egyptian organization for standardization and quality. The sub-committee (3/12/1) chaired by Secretary General of the tobacco and tobacco products committee, shall consist of representatives from: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. General Organization for Export and Import Control2. Industrial Control Authority3. Department of Chemistry4. Central Public Health Laboratories5. Tobacco Division in Federation of Egyptian Industries6. Egyptian Tax Authority7. Egyptian Customs Authority

Any other member that may be deemed necessary for the work of the subcommittee,

The sub-committee responsibilities includes inter alia:

1. Study the files submitted by the producing and Importing companies of the E-liquid product and the relevant companies, including (their complete data - their activity - their practice document - analysis test reports of these products at the Egyptian organization for standardization and quality laboratories or any other accredited laboratories.....)
2. Verify product's conformity with the latest version of the Egyptian Standard ES No. 8205-1 for "General Requirements for Traditional Cigarettes Alternatives, Part 1: Electronic Cigarettes – Electronic Liquid" which was mandated by the relevant Ministerial Decree.
3. Prepare a database in the Egyptian organization for standardization and quality to register all the importing companies, local producing companies and relevant companies.
4. Analyze these products in the Egyptian organization for standardization and quality laboratories or any other accredited laboratories in Egypt.
5. Prepare white lists for the companies that shall be registered in the Egyptian Organization for Standardization and Quality to prevent fraud and make them available on its website.
6. Issue of a letter from the Egyptian organization for standardization and quality about the registration of companies and their products after paying the estimated costs.

Worth mentioning is that ES 8205-1 is technically identical with Directive 2014/40/EU and AFNOR- D90-300-1.

7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Protection of human health or safety

8. Relevant documents:

- Ministerial Decree No. 516/2021.
- Ministerial Decree No. 222/2021 mandating among others the earlier version of ES 8205-1 (partial amendment) which was formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/207/Add.2 dated 31 August 2021.
- Ministerial Decree No. 101/2019 mandating among others the earlier version of ES 8205-1 which was formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/207/Add.1 dated 15 May 2019.

9. Proposed date of adoption: 2 November 2021

Proposed date of entry into force: 21 November 2021

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:

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