NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Macao, China  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Civic and Municipal Affairs Bureau (IACM), the Government of the Macao Special Administrative Region |
| **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):** Food |
| **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:** Regulamento Administrativo n.º 30/2017 Normas relativas à utilização de corantes alimentares em géneros alimentícios (Standard for Uses of Food Coloring in Foodstuffs). **Language(s):** Chinese and Portuguese. **Number of pages:** 5  <http://images.io.gov.mo/bo/i/2017/46/rega-30-2017.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** In Macao, China, Law No. 5/2013 (Food Safety Law) provides in Article 7 that the production and marketing of foodstuffs must comply with food safety standards and that these standards are defined by complementary administrative regulations.  The Administrative Regulation No. 30/2017 "Normas relativas à utilização de corantes alimentares em géneros alimentícios" (Standard for Uses of Food Coloring in Foodstuffs) is a food safety standard that sets the provision of uses of food coloring in foodstuffs. In this standard, food coloring refers to a category of food additives which adds or restores color in food. This administrative regulation stipulates species of food coloring permitted for use in foodstuffs in accordance with Good Manufacturing Practice and defines the scope of their application in food. The standard also prohibits the use of food coloring in the following foodstuffs: (1) Meat, poultry and game meat, aquatic products, vegetables or fruit, raw or unprocessed, unless it is intended for marking or used on citrus peels; (2) Infant formula, infant formula for special medical purposes and food supplements intended for infants and young children. The use of food coloring that are not permitted under the second paragraph of Article 1 of this regulation shall be prohibited. |
| **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:**  **[****X] Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:**CODEX STAN 192  **[ ]** **World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:**  **[ ]** **International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:**  **[ ]** **None**  **Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?**  **[****X] Yes [ ]** **No**  **If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:** |
| **9.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 20 October 2017  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 13 November 2017 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** 14 November 2017  **[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [ ]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** Not applicable  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [****X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e‑mail address (if available) of other body:** |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [****X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e‑mail address (if available) of other body:** |