NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Uganda  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Uganda National Bureau of Standards |
| **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):** Vegetable and nut spread |
| **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:** DUS 1953: 2018, Vegetable and nut spread - Specification. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 12  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/UGA/18_3038_00_e.pdf>  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/UGA/18_3038_01_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This Draft Uganda Standard specifies requirements and methods of sampling and testing of vegetable and nut spread for human consumption. |
| **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:** |
| **9.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:**   * Uganda Gazette; * A-A-20328B Nut butters and nut spreads; * EAS 38, Labelling of pre-packaged foods; * EAS 39, Code of practice for food and drink manufacturing industry; * US EAS 803, Nutrition labelling - Requirements; * US EAS 804, Claims - General Requirements; * US EAS 805, Use of nutrition and health claims - Requirements; * US ISO 6579, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs - Horizontal method for the detection of *Salmonella* spp.; * US ISO 7251, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs - Horizontal method for the detection and enumeration of presumptive *Escherichia coli* - Most probable number technique; * US ISO 21527, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs - Horizontal method for the enumeration of yeasts and moulds - Part 2: Colony count technique in products with water activity less than or equal to 0.95; * US 45, Food additives and contaminants; * US ISO 5555, Animal and vegetable fats and oils - Sampling; * US ISO 3960, Animal and vegetable fats and oils - Determination of peroxide value - Iodometric (visual) endpoint determination; * US ISO 4833-1, Microbiology of the food chain - Horizontal method for the enumeration of microorganisms - Part 1: Colony count at 30 degrees C by the pour plate technique; * US ISO 12193, Animal and vegetable fats and oils - Determination of lead by direct graphite furnace atomic absorption spectroscopy; * US ISO 2590, General method for the determination of arsenic - Silver diethyldithiocarbamate photometric method. |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** December 2018  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined. |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** Upon declaration as mandatory by the Minister for Trade, Industry and Cooperatives.  **[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 12 August 2018  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [ ]****National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e‑mail address (if available) of other body:**  Uganda National Bureau of Standards  Plot 2-12 ByPass Link Bweyogerere Industrial and Business Park  P.O. Box 6329  Kampala, Uganda  Email: info@unbs.go.ug |
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