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):** Fresh or dried bananas (excluding plantains) (HS code(s): 080390); Fruits and derived products (ICS code(s): 67.080.10); Cooking banana; Matooke |
| **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 997:2021, Cooking banana (matooke) - Specification, Second Edition.**Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 14  [https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/UGA/23\_13265\_00\_e.pdf](https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/UGA/23_13265_00_e.pdf" \t "_blank) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This Draft Uganda Standard specifies requirements for cooking banana (matooke) grown from Musa spp. (AAA-EAH) and of family Musaceae to be supplied raw to the consumer |
| **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)*:** CXS 205-1997 Standard for Bananas  **[****]** **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:**   1. US EAS 38 Labelling of pre-packaged foods - General requirements 2. US 28 EAS 39, Code of practice for hygiene in the food and drink manufacturing industry 3. US EAS 803, Nutrition labelling - Requirements US EAS 805, Use of nutrition and health claims - Requirements 4. US 738, General standard for contaminants and toxins in food and feed 5. CAC/RCP 44, Code of practice for packaging and transport of fresh fruits and vegetables 6. US 997:2014, Cooking banana (matooke) - Specification 7. CODEX STAN 205-1997, AMD. 1-2005, Codex Standard for Bananas 8. www.traditionaltree.org 9. Uganda Gazette   (available in English) |
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| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****X]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 31 December 2023  **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  Tel: +(256) 4 1733 3250/1/2  Fax: +(256) 4 1428 6123  E-mail: [info@unbs.go.ug](mailto:info@unbs.go.ug)  Website: <https://www.unbs.go.ug> |
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