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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>KENYA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Kenya 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): Arrowroots
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: KS 2842:2018 Fresh Arrowroots (Taro) - Specification. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 13 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/KEN/18_6295_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: This Kenya standard specifies the requirements and methods of sampling and test for edible varieties of arrowroots (also referred to as cocoyam or taro), <i>Colocasia esculenta</i> (L.) Schott of the Araceae family intended for human consumption.
7. Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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: Not applicable
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): March 2019 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): March 2019
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): Upon declaration as mandatory by the Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Industry, Trade and Co-operatives. [X] Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 29 December 2018 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: Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS) P.O. Box: 54974-00200, Nairobi, Kenya Tel: +(254) 020 605490 +(254) 020 605506 +(254) 020 6948258 Fax: +(254) 020 609660 +(254) 020 609665 E-mail: info@kebs.org; Website: http://www.kebs.org
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