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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>UGANDA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Uganda National Bureau of Standards
<b>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):</b> Stingless bee honey
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> DUS DEAS 991:2019, Stingless bee honey - Specification, First Edition. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 15 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/UGA/19_6312_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/UGA/19_6312_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> This Draft Uganda Standard specifies the requirements, sampling and test methods for stingless bee honey produced by subfamily Meliponinae intended for direct human consumption.  Note: This draft standard was also notified to the TBT Committee.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <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.
<b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b> CXS 12-1981, Standard for Honey <input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> None <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b>

<p><b>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- AOAC Official method 985.16 determination of Tin in canned foods - Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometric Method</li> <li>- AOAC 920.181 Determination of Ash content of Honey</li> <li>- AOAC Official Method 920.183 Sugars (Reducing) in Honey</li> <li>- AOAC 920.184 Determination of Sucrose in Honey</li> <li>- AOAC 958.09 Determination of Diastase Activity</li> <li>- AOAC 962.19 Determination of Acidity (Free, Lactone, and Total)</li> <li>- AOAC 969.38b Determination of Moisture Content</li> <li>- AOAC 980.23 Determination of hydroxymethylfurfural (HMF) content</li> <li>- AOAC Official Method 983.20 Mercury (Methyl) in Fish and Shellfish Gas Chromatographic Method</li> <li>- AOAC Official method 999.11 Determination of Lead, Cadmium, Copper, Iron and Zinc in Foods - Atomic Absorptions Spectrophotometry after dry ashing</li> <li>- EAS 38, Labelling of pre-packaged food-general requirement</li> <li>- EAS 39, Hygiene in the food and drinks manufacturing industry - Code of practice</li> <li>- ISO 4831, Microbiology of food and animal feeding stuffs - Horizontal method for detection and enumeration</li> <li>- of coliforms - Most probable number technique</li> <li>- ISO 6634, Fruits, vegetables and derived products - Determination of arsenic content - Silver diethylthiocarbamate spectrophotometric method</li> <li>- ISO 21527-2, 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</li> <li>- Uganda Gazette</li> </ul>
<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> June 2020</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> Upon declaration as mandatory by the Minister for Trade, Industry and Cooperatives.</p> <p><b>[X] Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 6 January 2020</p> <p><b>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:</b></p> <p>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  Website: <a href="http://www.unbs.go.ug">http://www.unbs.go.ug</a></p>

**13. Text(s) available from: [ ] National Notification Authority, [ ] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**

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