

# WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

Original: English

## NOTIFICATION

<b>1. Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>SOUTH AFRICA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Department of Health, Directorate: Food Control
<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> Application of the HACCP System for processors of groundnuts: (a) Peanut sorting/grading facilities; (b) Peanut butter manufacturers
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> Any country exporting food products to South Africa
<b>5. Title, language and number of pages of the notified document:</b> Regulations Relating to the Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point System (HACCP System): Amendment. No. R. 546 of 23 May 2008 (2 pages)
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Provides for the application of the HACCP System for certain categories of groundnut processors.
<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. International standard, guideline or recommendation:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention, <input type="checkbox"/> None <b>If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:</b> Codex Alimentarius Commission's general requirements (food hygiene), entitled: " <i>Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) System and Guidelines for its Application</i> ", published in the Supplement to Volume 113-1997
<b>9. Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> Government Gazette No. 31065 of 23 May 2008 (available in English)
<b>10. Proposed date of adoption:</b> After final publication of the proposed amendment to the regulations in the Government Gazette. This is not expected before November 2008.

**11. Proposed date of entry into force:** Within one (1) year of final publication of the amendment to the regulations in the Government Gazette

**12. Final date for comments:** 23 October 2008

**Agency or authority designated to handle comments:**  National notification authority,  National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:

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Ms Penny Campbell, Directorate: Food Control. Details as above, as well as at the following website: [http://www.doh.gov.za/department/dir\\_foodcontr-f.html](http://www.doh.gov.za/department/dir_foodcontr-f.html)