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**Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures** 

## **NOTIFICATION**

1.	Notifying Member: SOUTH AFRICA
	If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Department of Health. Directorate: Nutrition
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): Maize meal and wheat flour
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
	[X] All trading partners
	[] Specific regions or countries:
5.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> Draft Regulations Relating to the Fortification of Certain Foodstuffs (R. 217) <b>Language(s):</b> English <b>Number of pages:</b> 36
	http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/SPS/ZAF/16_1387_00_e.pdf
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> The draft regulations require the mandatory fortification of maize meal and wheat flour with vitamins and minerals (excluding those maize and wheat products as specified in the definitions for maize meal and wheat flour).
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) General Principles for the Addition of Essential Nutrients to Food (CAC/GL 9 1987); Guidelines for the Production, Processing, Labelling and Marketing of Organically Produced Food (CAC/GL 32 1999)
	[] 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: Government Gazette No. 39776 dated 3 March 2016 (available in English).

**10. Proposed date of adoption** (*dd/mm/yy*): After publication of the final regulations in the Government Gazette.

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): March 2017

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [X] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):
  - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 3 June 2016

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Webpage: http://www.gov.za/sites/www.gov.za/files/39776\_gon217.pdf

or

 $\underline{http://www.health.gov.za/index.php/shortcodes/2015-03-29-10-42-47/2015-04-30-09-10-42-47/2015-04-40-09-10-42-47/2015-04-40-09-10-42-47/2015-04-40-09-10-42-47/2015-04-40-09-10-09-10$ 

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