

WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

G/TBT/N/BHR/270
10 January 2012

(12-0099)

Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

Original: English

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1. Notifying Member: <u>KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: Standards & Metrology Directorate (BSMD) Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above: Ministry of Industry and Commerce P.O. Box: 5479, Kingdom of Bahrain Tel.: +973 17574880 Fax: +973 17530730 E-mail: bsmd@moic.gov.bh Website: http://www.moic.gov.bh
3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other:
4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Honey for Food Industrial Uses "Baker's Honey", ICS: 67.000
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Honey for Food Industrial Uses "Baker's Honey" (8 pages in English, 8 pages in Arabic).
6. Description of content: This draft technical regulation specifies the requirements stated in the Gulf standard GSO "Honey for Food Industrial Uses "Baker's Honey"" under 7.1 and 8 (packaging and labelling) as mandatory requirements. It specifies the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- The product shall be filled in suitable, clean, dry and airtight containers. The containers shall not cause any undesirable changes to honey during handling and storage,- When the product imported the size of containers shall be not suitable to retail for consumer, and may repacked in suitable containers for direct retail It also describes label requirements such as : <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Labelling and adjoining explanatory statements shall be in Arabic and, where another language is used, it shall be alongside the Arabic. All the information provided in another language shall be identical with those written in Arabic.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Name of product can be designated "cooking Honey", "Baker's honey" or "honey for food industrial uses" - Date of production in a non-coded manner (month and year).
<p>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: To maintain consumer protection and food safety.</p>
<p>8. Relevant documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -• GSO "Honey for Food Industrial Uses "Baker's Honey"". - Official journal of the European communities council directive 2001/110/EC of 20 December 2001 relating to honey - Codex Standard 12/2001. - GSO Standard 148/ 2006 for "Honey".
<p>9. Proposed date of adoption: } To be determined. Proposed date of entry into force: }</p>
<p>10. Final date for comments: 60 days from the notification date</p>
<p>11. Text available from: National enquiry point [X], or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body:</p>