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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Health and Standardization Administration of China
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): ICS 67.140.10
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: All countries and regions
5.	Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Hygienic standard for tea, (available in Chinese, 4 pages)
6.	Description of content: This standard stipulates the requirements of index, food additives, hygienic requirements in processing, packaging, marking, storage, transportation and determination methods of tea. The standard applies to ferment or green tea made from fresh tea leaves, but does not apply to all the dunking tea.
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.	International standard, guideline or recommendation: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health, <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:
9.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Chinese GB/T4789.21 Microbiological examination of food hygiene, Examination of frozen drinking and drink GB/T5009.12 Determination of lead in foods GB/T5009.19 Determination of BHC and DDT residues in foods GB/T5009.176 Determination of dicofol residues in tea, fruits, edible vegetable oils GB7718 The universal standard of food labels GB14881 General hygienic regulation for food enterprises
10.	Proposed date of adoption: To be determined
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: 6 months after adoption

12. Final date for comments: Sixty days after the date of notification

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

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