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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: <u>National Department of Agriculture, Directorate: Plant Health and Quality</u> Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above: South African TBT Enquiry Point
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): Canned/Processed fruit (2008.19), (2008.20), (2008.30), (2008.40), (2008.50), (2008.60), (2008.80), (2008.92)
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Draft Regulations relating to the grading, packing and marking of canned fruit intended for sale in the Republic of south Africa (137 pages in English and 137 pages in Afrikaans)
6.	Description of content: The proposed regulations seeks to facilitate the sale of canned fruit in the Republic of south Africa by setting technical standardised norms for canned fruit with regard to quality, grading, packing and marking and which will also apply to imported canned fruit. The norms for quality are set taking into consideration the Codex alimentarius commission standards for process fruit.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: See above
8.	Relevant documents: Draft Regulations relating to the grading, packing and marking of canned fruit, intended for sale in the Republic of South Africa published in terms of the Agricultural Product Standards Act, 1990 (Act No. 119 of 1990)
9.	Proposed date of adoption: Proposed date of entry into force: }
10.	Final date for comments: 90 days from publications by WTO

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [] or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body:

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