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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>BRAZIL</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Brazilian Sanitary Surveillance Agency – Anvisa
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): Jelly confectionery containing the food additive E 425 konjac.
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: All regions and countries.
5.	Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Resolução RE (Resolution) n.º 140 from 9 August 2002. (1 page, available in Portuguese.) Published at Diário Oficial da União (Federal Official Journal) on 12 August 2002.
6.	Description of content: Prohibits throughout the national territory the entrance, trade and place on the market of desserts and jelly candies, including mini-cup jellies, containing the additive INS 425 Gum Konjac (Konjac flour or Konjak Glucomanan or Konnyaku).
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.	Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action: The use of this additive in certain types of confectionery has been the cause of fatal accidents.
9.	International standard, guideline or recommendation: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input type="checkbox"/> Office International des Epizooties, <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:
10.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Resolução (Resolution) nº 386, 5 August 1999. Portaria DETEN/MS (Ministerial Act) nº 13, 1 January 1996.
11.	Date of entry into force/period of application (as applicable): 12 August 2002

- 12. 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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