NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Thailand **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** The Office of Food and Drug Administration (Thai FDA)**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:**  |
| **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):** Chocolate and chocolate products (HS code 1806 ICS Code: 67.190) |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Draft Ministry of Public Health (MOPH) Notification, No. … B.E. …. (....) issued by virtue of the Food Act B.E. 2522 entitled "Chocolate and chocolate products" (7 page(s), in English; 8 page(s), in Thai) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The MOPH proposes to revise the MOPH Notification concerning "Chocolate". The draft of MOPH Notification entitled "Chocolate and chocolate products" has been issued for consumer health protection, consumer information or labelling, qualities and standards requirements and trade facilitation. Main elements of the draft of MOPH notification are as follows:1. The MOPH Notification No. 83 (BE. 2527) entitled "Chocolate", dated 15th November B.E. 2527 (1984) and the MOPH Notification entitled " Chocolate (No.2) ", dated 3rd March B.E. 2554 (2011) will be repealed and replaced by this draft of MOPH Notification.2. Prescribing definition of Chocolate and chocolate products.3. Prescribing qualities and standards of Chocolate and chocolate products; use of food additives or processing aids or flavouring agents; production processes, production equipment and food storages; usage package or containers; including labelling.4. Prescribing producers or importers of chocolate and chocolate products for sale, whose permits issued prior to the date of this notification come into force, can prolong to produce or import for sale, including seller can sell the former products, but not exceed two years from the date of this notification come into force.5. This draft of MOPH notification shall enter into force from the day following the date of its publication in the Government Gazette.This regulation has been notified as SPS Notification.   |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Consumer information, labelling; Protection of human health or safety |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:** STANDARD FOR CHOCOLATE AND CHOCOLATE PRODUCTS [CODEX STAN 87 - 1981] |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined.**Proposed date of entry into force:** On the date after being notified in the Official Gazette |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 60 days from notification |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [****X]** **or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:** National Bureau of Agricultural Commodity and Food Standards (ACFS)50 Phaholyothin Road, LadyaoChatuchak, Bangkok 10900ThailandTel: +(662) 561 4024Fax: +(662) 561 4034E-mail: spsthailand@gmail.comWebsites: <http://www.acfs.go.th;> <http://www.spsthailand.net/><https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/TBT/THA/22_1484_00_x.pdf><https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/TBT/THA/22_1484_00_e.pdf> |