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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 7 October 2026, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Egypt.

Title: The Egyptian standard ES 1589 for "General standard for bottled/ packaged drinking waters (other than natural mineral waters) "(partial amendment in 1 page, in Arabic).

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[ ]	Other:

Description: Products covered: (ICS code: 13.060.10) Water of natural resources

This addendum concerns the notification of the Ministerial Decree No. 209/2026 (2 pages, in Arabic) that gives the producers and importers a six -month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian standard ES 1589 for "General standard for bottled/ packaged drinking waters (other than natural mineral waters) "(partial amendment in 1 page, in Arabic).

It should be noted that Ministerial Decree No. 130 /2005 (11 pages in Arabic) which was formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/1 dated 14 December 2005 and Ministerial Decree No. 503 /2023 (2 pages in Arabic) which was formerly notified in G/TBT/N/EGY/1/Add.24 dated 4 April 2024, mandated among others the earlier versions of this Egyptian Standard.

Worth mentioning is that this standard is technically identical with modification with Codex standard CXS 227-2001, adopted in 2001, amended in 2019.

[1] This information can be provided by including a website address, a pdf attachment, or other information on where the text of the final/modified measure and/or interpretive guidance can be obtained.

It is worth noting that this standard has been partially modified as follows:

- Item No.3/4/1/5 Radiation Properties "test" (Alpha activity(α)) The maximum Permissible limit (Bq/l) to be (0.5).

Producers and importers are kept informed of any amendments in the Egyptian Standard through the publication of administrative orders in the official gazette.

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