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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA
	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 67.120.30
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 salted fish, (available in Chinese, 4 pages)
6.	Description of content: This standard stipulates the requirements of index, food additives, hygienic requirements in processing, marking, packaging, storage, transportation and determination methods of salted fish. This standard applies to salted products made from fresh or frozen fish, which are salted.
7.	Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [] animal health, [] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests
8.	International standard, guideline or recommendation:
	[] Codex Alimentarius Commission, [] World Organization for Animal Health, [] International Plant Protection Convention, [X] None
	If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations: The former standard did not regulated limits for methyl mercury. According to CAC standards, the modified standard added limits for methyl mercury: edible fishes $\leq 1.0 \text{mg/kg}$, non-edible fishes $\leq 0.5 \text{mg/kg}$.
9.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Chinese GB 2721 Hygienic standards for salt GB 2733 Hygienic standards for fresh, frozen aquatic products of animal origin GB 2760 Hygienic standards for the use of food additives GB/T 5009.11 Determination of total and inorganic arsenic in foods GB/T 5009.12 Determination of lead in foods GB/T 5009.15 Determination of cadmium in foods

GB/T 5009.190 Determination of polychlorinated biphenyl in seafoods The universal standard of food labels GB 7718 GB 14881 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 Final date for comments: Sixty days after the date of notification **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: 13. Texts available from: [] National notification authority, [X] National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body: