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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Member to Agreement notifying: <u>COLOMBIA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Social Welfare
3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Preserved sardines (tariff heading 1604.13.00.00)
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Trading partners of Colombia.
5. Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Draft Resolution Issuing the Technical Regulation on the Requirements for Preserved Sardines Produced, Imported or Exported for Human Consumption (7 pages, in Spanish).
6. Description of content: Purpose, Scope of application, Definitions, Species, Classification of preserved sardines, General requirements, Additives, Covering medium, Contents of covering medium, Specific requirements, Physico-chemical requirements, Maximum limits for heavy metals, Packaging, Labelling, Sanitary requirements for the export of preserved sardines, Monitoring and inspection, Conformity assessment and certification, Penalty system and Administrative procedures.
7. Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests
8. International standard, guideline or recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention, <input type="checkbox"/> None If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:
9. Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Decree No. 3075 of 1997
10. Proposed date of adoption: 30 March 2005
11. Proposed date of entry into force: Six months as from the date of publication in the Official Journal.

12. Final date for comments: 17 March 2005

Agency or authority designated to handle comments: National notification authority, National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:

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