NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Malawi  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Malawi Bureau of Standards  **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 [****X], 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):** Ground paprika  Fruits of the genus Capsicum or of the genus Pimenta, dried or crushed or ground (HS 090420). Spices and condiments (ICS 67.220.10). |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** DMS 1290:2016, Ground paprika (Capsicum annum L.) – Specification (9 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:**  This draft Malawi standard defines the requirements for ground paprika.  This draft standard is not applicable to ground chillies and capsicums.  Note 1: A list of terms used in different countries for paprika (Capsicum annuum L.) is given in Annex C.  Note 2: Specifications for ground chillies and capscums are given in ISO 972. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Consumer information, labelling; Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Protection of human health or safety; Quality requirements |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**   * Codex Alimentarius Commission/RCP 22-1979, Code of Hygienic Practice for Spices and Dried Aromatic Plants; * ISO 15161, Guidelines on the application of ISO 9001:2000 for the food and drink industry; * ISO 22000, Food safety management systems – Requirements for any organization in the food chain; * ISO 948, Spices and condiments – Sampling; * ISO 972, Chillies and capsicums, whole or ground (powdered) – Specification; * MS 19, Labelling of pre-packed foods – General standard; * MS 21, Food and food processing units – Code of hygienic conditions; * MS 141, Spices and condiments – Determination of total ash; * MS 919, Spices and condiments – Determination of acid-insoluble ash; * MS 922, Spices and condiments – Determination of non-volatile ether extract; * MS 1297, Ground (powdered) paprika – Microscopic examination; * MS 1298, Ground (powdered) paprika – Determination of total natural colouring content; and * ASTA, Analytical Methods 21.3:1998, Pungency of capsicums and their oleoresins (HLPC method). |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:**To be determined  **Proposed date of entry into force:**To be determined |
| **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:**  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/TBT/MWI/17_4371_00_e.pdf> |