

# WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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## NOTIFICATION

1.	<b>Notifying Member:</b> <u>VIET NAM</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Department of Science and Technology, Ministry of Industry and Trade
3.	<b>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):</b> Alcohol; beer; soft drinks; processed milk; vegetable oil; preparations of flour, starch; cake; jam; candy and packing of the above products
4.	<b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> Draft Circular Regulating State Inspection on Food Safety for Food Imported Under the Management Responsibility of the Ministry of Industry and Trade <b>Language(s):</b> Vietnamese <b>Number of pages:</b> 18
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> Guidelines concerning the procedure for State inspection on food safety for food imported under the management responsibility of the Ministry of Industry and Trade.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	<b>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission ( <i>e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text</i> ) <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) ( <i>e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number</i> ) <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention ( <i>e.g. ISPM number</i> ) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b>

9.	<p><b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Law of Food Safety</li> <li>- Decree No. 38/2012/ND-CP of 25 April 2012 of the Government detailing the implementation of a number of articles of the Food Safety Law</li> </ul>
10.	<p><b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> Not determined.</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> Not determined.</p>
11.	<p><b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not determined.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p><b>Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 4 February 2013</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Vietnam SPS Notification Authority and Enquiry Point  2 Ngoc Ha Street, Hanoi, Vietnam  Tel: +(84 4)37344764  Fax: +(84 4) 37349019  E-mail: spsvietnam@mard.gov.vn  Website: <a href="http://www.spsvietnam.gov.vn">http://www.spsvietnam.gov.vn</a></p>
13.	<p><b>Texts available from:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Vietnam SPS Notification Authority and Enquiry Point  2 Ngoc Ha Street, Hanoi, Vietnam  Tel: +(84 4)37344764  Fax: +(84 4) 37349019  E-mail: spsvietnam@mard.gov.vn  Website: <a href="http://www.spsvietnam.gov.vn">http://www.spsvietnam.gov.vn</a>  Link to dowload:  "<a href="http://www.spsvietnam.gov.vn/EnglishSPS/Lists/Documents/notification/Attachments/43/VNM37%20Circular%20on%20food%20safety%20_MOIT_Final.pdf">http://www.spsvietnam.gov.vn/EnglishSPS/Lists/Documents/notification/Attachments/43/VNM37%20Circular%20on%20food%20safety%20_MOIT_Final.pdf</a>"</p>