NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** COSTA RICA  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:**  *Ministerio de Salud* (Ministry of Health)  *Dirección de Regulación de Productos de Interés Sanitario* (Directorate for Regulation of Products of Sanitary Interest)  Tel.: (+506) 2549-1479  Fax: (+506) 2291-2015  **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:**  *Información de Obstáculos Técnicos al Comercio* (TBT Enquiry Point)  *Ministerio de Economía, Industria y Comercio*, MEIC (Ministry of the Economy, Industry and Trade)  Apartado Postal 10216-1000  Tel.: (+506) 2549-1479  Fax: (+506) 2291-2015  Email: [crotc@meic.go.cr](mailto:crotc@meic.go.cr)  Website: <http://www.reglatec.go.cr/> |
| **3.** | **Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 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):** ICS 67.040 |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** *RTCR 492:2017 Suplementos a la Dieta. Requisitos y Procedimientos para el Reconocimiento del Registro Sanitario de otros países* (Costa Rican Technical Regulation (RTCR) No. 492:2017 Dietary supplements. Requirements and procedures for the recognition of the sanitary registration of other countries) (9 pages, in Spanish) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The notified Technical Regulation seeks to establish the procedure to be applied by the Costa Rican Ministry of Health to determine which countries may receive recognition for the registration or notification of dietary supplements. It also establishes the requirements to be met by natural or legal persons in order to benefit from this recognition, as it is not granted automatically. Recognition is unilateral and applies, at the discretion of Costa Rica, to dietary supplements registered in countries of which the registration or notification procedures are recognized by Costa Rica. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Protection of human life and health. |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**  1. *Decreto Ejecutivo No. 36134-S del 10 de mayo del 2010 "Reglamento RTCR 436:2009 Suplementos a la Dieta Requisitos de Registro Sanitario, Importación, Desalmacenaje, Etiquetado y Verificación"* (Executive Decree No. 36134-S of 10 May 2010 "Costa Rican Technical Regulation (RTCR) No. 436:2009 Dietary supplements. Sanitary registration requirements, importation, customs clearance, labelling and verification") |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** Upon publication in Official Journal *La Gaceta.*  **Proposed date of entry into force:** Upon publication in Official Journal *La Gaceta.* |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 60 days from the date of 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:**  *Centro de Obstáculos Técnicos al Comercio* (TBT Centre)  Website: <http://www.reglatec.go.cr/>  Email: [crotc@meic.go.cr](mailto:crotc@meic.go.cr)  San José, Costa Rica  Apartado Postal 10216-1000  Tel.: (+506) 2549-1479  Fax: (+506) 2291-2015  Full text available online at:  <http://www.reglatec.go.cr/reglatec/principal.jsp>  [https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/TBT/CRI/18\_1667\_00\_s.pdf](https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/TBT/CRI/18_1667_00_s.pdf" \t "_blank) |