

Response to Comments Made by the EU on G/TBT/N/TPKM/172

The draft refers to the processing aids as defined in Codex or EU regulations, and emphasis on the substance would be neutralized, removed or inactivated by other methods during treatment or processing, and do not have any technological effect on the final product nor consumed as a food ingredient by itself, is exempted from declaration in the list of ingredients, even if which may result in non-intentional but unavoidable presence of residues or derivatives. Also, the safety and removal methods of a substance used as processing aid should be demonstrated by the supplier or manufacturer.

We thank the EU for the comments. The international standard is one of the important references for our management, and we follow Articles 2.2 and 2.4 of the TBT Agreement. The draft notified as G/TBT/N/TPKM/172 would then be announced without amendment. If there are other comments for this draft, please reply in 7 days.