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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

- 1. Member to Agreement notifying: <u>VIET NAM</u>
 If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
- 2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Health

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:

Vietnam Food Administration

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- 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): Alcoholic beverages
- **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** National technical regulation on food safety for Alcoholic beverages (12 pages available in Vietnamese).
- **Description of content:** This proposed regulation specifies the management and technical requirements relating to main raw materials for processing alcoholic beverages including: water and edible alcohol; safety specifications including chemical and microbiological parameters, heavy metals, and food additive; and labelling requirements.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Health and consumer protection
- 8. Relevant documents:
 - Regulation EC No 110/2008;
 - Codex Stan 193-1995, Rev.5-2009;
 - Decision No 3542/2000/QD-BYT by Ministry of Health on regulating the hygiene and safety of beer and low alcoholic beverages;
 - Viet Nam's National Standard TCVN 7045:2009 Wines Technical Requirements.

9. **Proposed date of adoption:** June 2010

Proposed date of entry into force: After 6 months from the approved date

10. Final date for comments: 60 days from date of notification

11. Text available from: National enquiry point [X], or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body:

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