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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. Notifying Member: <u>RWANDA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: Rwanda Standards Board (RSB) KK 15 Rd, 49 P.O.BOX 7099, Kigali, Rwanda Tel: +250 788303492 Email: info@rsb.gov.rw Website: www.rsb.gov.rw 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 [], 5.7.1 [], 3.2 [], 7.2 [], other:
4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): (ICS code(s): 71.100.70)
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: DRS 360: 2024, Herbal soaps – Specification; (71 page(s), in English)
6. Description of content: This Draft Rwanda Standard prescribes the requirements, sampling and test methods for herbal soaps. It covers the following types of herbal soap: a) herbal bathing soap; b) herbal laundry soap; and c) herbal liquid soap.
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; Protection of the environment; Quality requirements; Reducing trade barriers and facilitating trade; Cost saving and productivity enhancement
8. Relevant documents: 1. RS EAS 377, Cosmetics and cosmetic products (all parts) 2. RS EAS 346, Labelling of cosmetics – General requirements

3. RS 278, Cosmetics – Methods of sampling
4. RS ISO 457, Analysis of soap – Determination of Chloride content – Titrimetric method
5. RS ISO 456, Surface active agents – Analysis of soaps – Determination of free caustic alkali
6. RS ISO 684, Analysis of soap – Determination of Total free alkali
7. RS ISO 685, Analysis of soap – Determination of alkali content and total fatty matter content
8. RS ISO 673, Analysis of soap – Determination of ethanol insoluble matter
9. RS ISO 862, Surface active agents – Vocabulary
10. RS ISO 1067, Analysis of soap – Determination of unsaponifiable, unsaponified and unsaponified saponifiable matter

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 [] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

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