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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>EGYPT</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: Egyptian Organization for Standardization and Quality 16 Tadreeb El-Modarrebeen St., Ameriya, Cairo – Egypt E-mail: eos@idsc.net.eg / eos.tbt@eos.org.eg Website: http://www.eos.org.eg Tel.: + (202) 22845528 Fax: + (202) 22845504 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): Domestic safety (ICS code(s): 13.120)
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Ministerial Decree No. 502 /2023 (4 pages, in Arabic) mandating the Egyptian Standard ES 8685 for "Safety requirements for electronic devices used in electronic smoking systems"; (22 page(s), in English)
6. Description of content: The Ministerial Decree No. 502 /2023 gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian standard ES 8403 which deals with the safety of appliances for generation of directly inhalable aerosols, their rated voltage being not more than 250 V for single-phase appliances and other appliances including direct current (DC) supplied appliances and battery-operated appliances. Worth mentioning is that this standard has been formulated according to National Studies.
7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Safety requirements; Quality requirements
8. Relevant documents: Ministerial Decree No. 502 /2023
9. Proposed date of adoption: 18 December 2023 Proposed date of entry into force: 5 January 2024

10.	Final date for comments: 60 days from 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: Egyptian Organization for Standardization and Quality Address: 16 Tadreeb El-Modarrebeen St., Ameriya, Cairo- Egypt E-mail: eos@idsc.net.eg / eos.tbt@eos.org.eg Website: http://www.eos.org.eg Tel: + (202) 22845528 Fax: + (202) 22845504