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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>REPUBLIC OF PANAMA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2): Not applicable. In Panama, technical regulations are not prepared by local government; only the Directorate-General for Standards and Industrial Technology, a central government authority, is so authorized.
2.	Agency responsible: Directorate-General for Standards and Industrial Technology - DGNTI (responsible for processing notifications). Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers and E-mail and Web site 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 [], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Agricultural Foodstuffs.
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: DGNTI-COPANIT (Directorate-General for Standards and Industrial Technology - Panamanian Commission for Industrial and Technical Standards) Technical Regulation No. 65-410-99. Fresh Vegetable Products. Potatoes. Requirements (9 pages, in Spanish).
6.	Description of content: Definition of the characteristic grades and qualities for marketing fresh potatoes for human consumption.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health.
8.	Relevant documents: Panamanian Technical Standard 011.119-1993. Agricultural Marketing Institute (AMI) Quality Proposal 1995. AMI Potato Grading. Proposal by Mr Gaudiano.
9.	Proposed date of adoption: Immediately upon publication Proposed date of entry into force: Immediately
10.	Final date for comments: Immediately

- 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [] or address, telephone and fax numbers and E-mail and Web site addresses, if available, of other body:**

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