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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>MEXICO</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Health Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, 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: National Enquiry Point (Enquiry Point of the General Directorate of Standards/Ministry of the Economy)
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): Reagents: ABO and anti-Rh hemoclassifiers for the identification of D antigen and human antiglobulin for the Coombs test.
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Draft Mexican Official Standard PROY-NOM-222-SSA1-2002. Establishment of Sanitary Specifications for Reagents: ABO and Anti-Rh Hemoclassifiers for the Identification of D Antigen and Human Antiglobulin for the Coombs Test (18 pages, in Spanish).
6.	Description of content: This draft Mexican Official Standard lays down the minimum sanitary specifications for reagents: ABO and anti-Rh hemoclassifiers for identifying D antigen and human antiglobulin for the Coombs test. In addition, it specifies the test methods for purposes of verification. Upon publication in final form, this draft Mexican Official Standard shall be binding throughout the national territory on all industries, laboratories and establishments engaged in the manufacture, importation and distribution of such products.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: To establish minimum compulsory specifications in respect of operation, security, test methods, labelling, packaging and packing, applicable to reagents (ABO and anti-Rh hemoclassifiers for identifying D antigen and human antiglobulin for the Coombs test), of national or foreign origin, in order to monitor their quality, protect human health and provide information to users.
8.	Relevant documents: <i>Diario Oficial de la Federación</i> (Official Journal) of 10 September 2003.

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9.	Proposed date of adoption: Proposed date of entry into force:	} Not applicable
10.	Final date for comments: 9 November 2003	
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body: Website: www.economia.gob.mx/?P=85 (Standards catalogue) Email: cidgn@economia.gob.mx	