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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 COSTA RICA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of the Economy, Industry and Trade, Technical Regulation Body, Tel: (506) 297 1439 or (506) 235 2700, Ext. 265 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: Information Centre on Technical Barriers to Trade, Ministry of the Economy, Industry & Trade (MEIC), Apartado Postal. 10216-1000, Tel: (506) 297-1439, Fax: (506) 297-1439, Email: crotc@meic.go.cr , Internet site: www.meic.go.cr
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): 0706100010
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Technical Regulation RTCR____:2003. Fresh Carrots for Consumption (12 pages, in Spanish)
6.	Description of content: Defines the quality, safety, packaging and labelling characteristics of domestic and imported carrots of the (cultivar) varieties <i>Daucus Carota</i> L, for consumption in Costa Rica.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health and safety and of animal or plant life or health
8.	Relevant documents: Geovanny Carmona Villalobos. Nacional Production Council (CNP). "Rol de la Temperatura en el Almacenamiento de Productos Frescos". December 2001; Ministry of the Economy, Industry & Trade (MEIC), Ministry of Agriculture & Livestock (MAG) and National Production Council (CNP), "Estudio de caracterización en campo", 2003; Mc Gregor, B.M: 1989. "Tropical Products Transport Handbook", USDA, Office of Transportation, Agricultural Handbook Number 668; Executive Decree No. 24907-MEIC NCR230:1995. "Productos Hortícolas Frescos". Survey published in the Official Journal La Gaceta, No. 25 of 5 February 1996; Executive Decree No. 26012-MEIC RTCR100:1997. "Etiquetado de los Alimentos Preenvasados", published in La Gaceta No. 91 of 14 May 1997 and the revised version thereof; Executive Decree No. 22268-MEIC NCR148:1993. "Metrología de contenido neto de Preempacados", published in La Gaceta No. 132 of 13 July 1993; Law 5292. "Sistema Internacional de Unidades de

8.	Relevant documents: (cont'd) Medidas". Published in Collected Laws and Decrees, 1993, second half, volume 1; Executive Decree No. 29660-MEIC RTCR26:2000. "Metrología Unidades Legales de Medida". Published in La Gaceta No. 151 of 8 August 2001.
9.	Proposed date of adoption: To be determined Proposed date of entry into force: Following publication in the Official Journal La Gaceta
10.	Final date for comments: Following publication in the Official Journal La Gaceta.
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: Information Centre on Technical Barriers to Trade, Ministry of the Economy, Industry and Trade (MEIC), Apartado Postal. 10216-1000, Tel: (506) 297-1439, Fax: (506) 297-1439, Email: crotc@meic.go.cr , Internet site: www.meic.go.cr