APPENDIX 7

Register template of agricultural cooperatives and their unions' registration

Order number	Form	Province code	Registration number	Name of the agricultural cooperative (or union of agricultural cooperatives)*	No. and date of deposit receipt	Number and date of the approval decision
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Interministerial decree dated 4 Rajab 1442 corresponding to February 16, 2021 including technical regulations setting conditions and procedures applicable to the affixing of the barcode on products intended for human consumption.

The Minister of Commerce, The Minister of Industry,

By virtue of Presidential Decree No. 20-163 dated Aouel Dhou El Kaâda 1441 corresponding to June 23, 2020, amended and supplemented, including appointment of the members of the Government;

By virtue of Executive Decree No. 90-39 dated January 30, 1990, amended and supplemented, relating to quality control and the repression of fraud;

By virtue of executive decree n° 92-65 dated February 12, 1992, modified and completed, relating to the control of the conformity of the products manufactured locally or imported;

By virtue of executive decree n° 96-93 dated 14 Chaoual 1416 corresponding to March 3, 1996, modified and supplemented, establishing chambers of commerce and industry;

By virtue of Executive Decree No. 96-94 dated Chaoual 14, 1416 corresponding to March 3, 1996, amended and supplemented, establishing the Algerian Chamber of Commerce and Industry;

By virtue of executive decree n° 02-453 dated 17 Chaoual 1423 corresponding to December 21, 2002 fixing the attributions of the Minister of Commerce;

By virtue of executive decree n° 05-464 dated Dhou El Kaâda 1426 corresponding to December 6, 2005, modified and supplemented, relating to the organization and the functioning of the standardization, in particular its article 28;

By virtue of executive decree n° 05-467 dated 8 Dhou El Kaâda 1426 corresponding to December 10, 2005 fixing conditions and modalities of control at the borders of the conformity of the imported products;

By virtue of Executive Decree No. 12-203 of 14 Journada Ethania 1433 corresponding to May 6, 2012 relating to rules applicable to product safety;

By virtue of Executive Decree No. 13-378 of Moharram 5, 1435 corresponding to November 9, 2013 setting conditions and modalities relating to consumer information;

By virtue of Executive Decree No. 20-393 dated 8 Journada El Oula 1442 corresponding to December 23, 2020 setting powers of the Minister of Industry;

Decide:

Article 1st. — In application to the provisionsof Article 28 of Executive Decree No. 05-464 dated4 Dhou El Kaâda 1426 corresponding to December 6, 2005, amended and supplemented, referred to above, the purpose of this Decree is to set conditions and procedures applicable when affixing the barcode to products intended for human consumption.

Art. 2. —Provisions of this decree apply to foodstuffs and pre-packaged non-food products, locally manufactured or imported, intended for human consumption.

Art. 3. —Are excluded from the scope of this decree:

Raw materials for manufacturing, processing and packaging;

- ---Products acquired:
 - within the framework of border barter;
 - Directly for the exclusive consumption of the personnel of foreign companies or organizations;
 - By free shops, catering services, international passenger transport companies, classified hotels and tourist establishments, the Algerian red crescent and duly approved associations and similar bodies;
 - By economic operators for their own professional use;

Art. 4. — Underthe provisions of this decree, it is understood by:

Bar code: Graphic representation of a code by a symbol that can be read and used automatically by a reader.

The bar code can have various forms, in accordance with the rules and practices commonly accepted in the matter, at the international level.

Global Trade Item Number (GTIN): International code used to identify trade items; it is composed of the country identifier, the operator prefix, the item reference number and the check digit. This code remains unchanged if the characteristics of the product concerned remain unchanged.

Optical reader: Electronic device suitable for reading bar codes and converting them into electrical signals that can be interpreted by a computer.

Art. 5. — In addition to requirements provided for by the regulations in force, in particular those of Executive Decree No. 13-378 dated5 Moharram 1435 corresponding to the 9 November 2013 referred to above, the packaging of pre-packaged products must include the bar code defined in article 4 above.

Art. 6. —Barcode affixing on locally manufactured products is carried out by the parties concerned after having received a barcode number, issued by the authorized organization.

The organization is empowered by decision of the Minister in charge of consumer protection and the repression of fraud, following the opinion of the national product coding committee, provided for in article 11 below.

- Art. 7. Imported products must bear a bar code issued by a recognized organization in their country of origin.
- Art. 8. —Information provided for in article 9 below, contained in the bar code of the imported products, must be the subject of a prior deposit with the Algerian Chamber of Commerce and Industry or at the level of the Chambers of Commerce and Industry, in their capacity as supporting bodies of the authorized organization.
- Art. 9. The barcode accompanied by the GTIN must be affixed to the product packaging. He must fill in the mandatory information, in Arabic and on an ancillary basis in a language accessible to the consumer, recorded in the platform of the authorized organization. This is the following information:

I-For foodstuffs:

- 1) Sales description;
- 2) Name or business name, registered trademark and address of the manufacturer or packer or distributor or importer when the food is imported;
- 3) Country of origin and/or provenance when the food is imported;
 - 4) List of ingredients;
- 5) Ingredients and foodstuffs listed in Article 27 of Executive Decree No. 13-378 of Moharram 5, 1435 corresponding to November 9, 2013 referred to above, and their derivatives, causing allergies or intolerances, used in the manufacture or preparation of a foodstuff and which are still present in the finished product, even in a modified form;
 - 6) Nutrition labeling;
- 7) Net quantity expressed according to the international metric system;
 - 8) Special storage and/or use conditions;
- 9) The "acquired alcoholic strength by volume" title for beverages containing more than 1.2% alcohol by volume;
 - 10) The term "halal", for the foodstuffs concerned;
 - 11) Picture of the product;
 - 12) Any other useful information that can also be added.

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II- For non-food products:

- 1) Sales description;
- Name or business name, registered trademark and address of the manufacturer or packer or distributor or importer when the product is imported;
- 3) Country of origin and/or provenance when the product is imported;
 - 4) Safety compliance mark;
- 5) Prior authorization references, for the products concerned;
- 6) Net quantity of the product, expressed in units of the international metric system;
 - 7) Safety precautions to be taken;
 - 8) Product composition and storage conditions;
 - 9) Picture of the product;
 - 10) Any other useful information that can also be added.
- Art. 10. —Bar code must be affixed in a visible and indelible manner, allowing the reading of the information provided for in article 9 above, by optical readers.
- Art. 11. A national committee for the barcode codification of products, hereinafter referred to as the "committee", chaired by the minister in charge of consumer protection and fraud prevention or his representative. It is composed of:
- One (1) representative of the Minister responsible for consumer protection and fraud prevention, member;
- One (1) representative of the Minister responsible for industry, member;
- One (1) representative of the Algerian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, member;
- One (1) representative of the national trade register centre, member;
- One (1) representative of the Algerian center for quality control and packaging, member.

The committee may call upon any person recognized for his skills, likely to enlighten him in his work.

The committee draws up and adopts its rules of procedure.

Art. 12. —Members of the committee, appointed from among employees having at least the rank of director, are appointed by decision of the Minister in charge of consumer protection and the repression of fraud, for a period of three (3) renewableyears, on the proposal of the authority to which they belong.

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- Art. 13. The committee provided for in article 11 above, is responsible for examining and giving an opinion on:
- —Authorization files provided for in article 15 below, and propose the organization authorized to issue the bar code number;
- Extension of the range of products to be codified in bar codes;
 - All other matters relating to its area of competence.
- Art. 14. Any organization carrying out the activity of product barcode coding may submit to the Ministry responsible for consumer protection and the repression of fraud, an authorization file as an organization responsible for issuing the barcode number.

Habilitation file is filed by its legal representative with the Ministry responsible for consumer protection and the repression of fraud against acknowledgment of receipt.

- Art. 15. —The file mentioned in article 14 above must include the following documents:
 - An authorization request;
- A description of the organization's activities, its structure, its technical resources, its procedures, its mode of financing and its links with international product coding organizations;
- A document justifying an experience of at least three(3) years of barcoding products;
- A document justifying the ability of the organization to issue the Global Trade Item Number (GTIN);
- A document attesting to the international recognition of the barcode numbers issued;
- Status, names and qualities of the managers responsible for the codification activity;
 - All information on how to obtain barcode numbers.
- Art. 16. After reviewing the files, the committee proposes to the minister in charge of consumer protection and the repression of fraud, the organization to be authorized to issue the barcode number.
- Art. 17. The security clearance decision is notified to the organization concerned and disseminated on the official websites of the member organizations of the committee provided for in article 11 above, and by any other appropriate means.

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- Art. 18. The organization authorized to issue the barcode number must comply with the legislative and regulatory provisions in force, in particular those relating to consumer protection and information in relation to the field of product coding. In addition, it must:
- Provide the control department under the Ministry in charge of consumer protection and the repression of fraud, the database of stakeholders who have benefited from a bar code number for their products;
- Provide the control departmentunder the Ministry in charge of consumer protection and the repression of fraud 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, access, by electronic means, to the database of stakeholders benefiting from the barcode number;
- Provide the Ministry responsible for consumer protection and fraud prevention with a sufficient quantity of optical readers;
- Provide training and carry out studies on product coding, for the benefit of the ministry responsible for consumer protection and fraud prevention;
- Ensuring the security of the database and the confidentiality of the information declared by the parties concerned;
- Have computer applications adapted to telephone devices, allowing the reading of the bar code including the information provided for in article 9 above.

- Art. 19. the organization authorized to issue the barcode number must also make available to the parties concerned:
- All information on how to obtain barcode numbers, in a transparent and fair manner, by any means including electronically;
- All information relating to the processing of product coding requests. The processing time for the codification request must not exceed ten (10) days from the date of filing with the authorized organization.
- Art. 20. Any failure on the part of the organization empowered to issue the bar code number shall result in the cancellation of the security clearance decision.
- Art. 21. Incumbents must comply with the provisions of this Order within two (2) years from the date of its publication in the Official Journal.
- Art. 22. This decree will be published in the Official Journal of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria.

Done in Algiers, on 4 Rajab 1442 corresponding to February 16, 2021.

Minister of Commerce

Industry Minister

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