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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: EGYPT

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: <u>eos@idsc.net.eg/eos.tbt@eos.org.eg</u> Website: <u>http://www.eos.org.eg</u> 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 [], other:
- 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Ophthalmic equipment (ICS 11.040.70)
- 5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Ministerial Decree No. 223 /2021 (2 pages, in Arabic) mandating the Egyptian Standard ES 2925-1 for "Ophthalmic optics Uncut finished spectacle lenses Part 1: Specifications for single-vision and multifocal lenses" (17 page(s), in Arabic)
- **6. Description of content:** The Ministerial Decree No. 223 /2021 gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian standard ES 2925-1.

This standard specifies requirements and verification methods for the optical and geometrical properties for uncut finished single-vision and multifocal spectacle lenses.

Worth mentioning is that this standard is technically identical with ISO 8980-1/2017

- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Consumer Protection and safety requirements.; Other
- 8. Relevant documents:
 - ISO 8980-1/2017.
 - Ministerial Decree No. 223 /2021
- 9. Proposed date of adoption: 20 May 2021Proposed date of entry into force: 14 June 2021

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:

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