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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:

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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): Concrete and concrete products (ICS 91.100.30)
- 5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Ministerial Decree No. 221 /2021 (2 pages, in Arabic) mandating the Egyptian Standard ES 8473-1 " Silica fume for concrete part:1 Definitions, requirements and conformity criteria" (33 page(s), in English)
- 6. **Description of content:** The Ministerial Decree No. 221 /2021 gives the producers and importers a six-month transitional period to abide by the Egyptian standard ES 8473-1 which applies to the silica fume which is a by-product of the smelting process used to produce silicon metal and ferro-silicon alloys. This part of gives requirements for chemical and physical properties for silica fume to be used as a type II addition in concrete conforming to EN 206-1, or in mortars, grouts and other mixes.

This part also states conformity criteria and related rules. This standard does not give rules for the use of silica fume in concrete. Some rules are given in EN 206-1. NOTE 1 Supplementary rules related to the use of silica fume in concrete may be given in non conflicting national standards for concrete. NOTE 2 EN 206-1 (5.2.5.1 in the 2000 edition) provides conditions for national acceptance of silica fumes coming from calcium silicon alloys production or other silica fumes, not conforming completely to EN 13263, as type II additions for use in concrete.

Worth mentioning is that this standard adopts the technical content of EN 13263-1:2005+A1:2009

7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: safety and quality requirements, conformity assessment.

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## 8. Relevant documents:

• EN 13263-1:2005+A1:2009

Ministerial Decree No. 221 /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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