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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:** RWANDA **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):**
2.	**Agency responsible:** Rwanda Standards Board (RSB) **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:** Rwanda Standards Board KK 15 Rd, 49 P.O.BOX 7099, Kigali, Rwanda Tel: +250 788303492 Email: info@rsb.gov.rw Website: www.rsb.gov.rw
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):** Cosmetics. Toiletries (ICS 71.100.70)
5.	**Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** DEAS 31: 2020 Laundry soap — Specification (15 page(s), in English)
6.	**Description of content:** This Draft East African Standard specifies requirements, sampling and test methods for two grades of laundry soaps. This standard covers two grades of laundry soap pure and built laundry soap in the form of cakes, tablets or bars, produced from vegetable or animal oils or fats or a blend of all or part to these materials. It does not cover any soap in which synthetic detergents have been added to enhance its performance.
7.	**Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Protection of human health or safety; Protection of the environment; Quality requirements
8.	**Relevant documents:** ISO 456, Surface-active agents — Determination of free caustic alkali ISO 457, Analysis of soap — Determination of chloride content ISO 672, Analysis of soap — Determination of moisture and volatile matter content ISO 673, Analysis of soap — Determination of ethanol insoluble matter ISO 684, Analysis of soap — Determination of total free alkali ISO 685, Analysis of soap — Determination of total alkali content and total fatty matter content ISO 862, Surface active agents — Vocabulary ISO 1067, Analysis of soap — Determination of unsaponifiable, unsaponified, and

	unsaponified saponifiable matter ISO 6839, Anionic surface active agents — Determination of solubility in water
9.	**Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined **Proposed date of entry into force:** To be determined
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:** KK 15 Rd, 49 Toll Free: 3250 Tel: +250 788303492 Email: info@rsb.gov.rw Website: www.rsb.gov.rw P.O.BOX 7099, Kigali, Rwanda https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/TBT/RWA/20_7540_00_e.pdf