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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

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>UGANDA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Uganda National Bureau of Standards <b>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:</b>
<b>3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [X], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>
<b>4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Machetes. Hand tools, the following: spades, shovels, mattocks, picks, hoes, forks and rakes; axes, bill hooks and similar hewing tools; secateurs and pruners of any kind; scythes, sickles, hay knives, hedge shears, timber wedges and other tools of a kind used in agriculture, horticulture or forestry. (HS 8201). Cutting tools (ICS 25.100), Hand-held tools (ICS 25.140), Agricultural machines, implements and equipment (ICS 65.060).
<b>5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> DUS 162:2017, Machetes – Specifications. (16 page(s), in English)
<b>6. Description of content:</b> This Draft Uganda Standard prescribes requirements, necessary dimensions, workmanship and test methods and sampling criteria of straight blade, curved blade, and double edged blade machetes (panga).
<b>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Protection of human health or safety; Protection of the environment; Quality requirements
<b>8. Relevant documents:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. US 162:2000 Specification for machetes (panga)</li><li>2. Agricultural hand tools in emergencies – Guidelines for technical and field officers</li><li>3. DUS ISO 6892-1, Metallic materials – Tensile testing – Part 1: Method of test at room temperature</li><li>4. DUS ISO 6508-1, Metallic materials – Rockwell hardness test – Part 1: Test method</li></ol>
<b>9. Proposed date of adoption:</b> March 2018 <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> Upon declaration as mandatory by the Minister for Trade, Industry and Cooperatives

**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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