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Report Highlights:

The Indonesian Ministry of Religious Affairs (MORA) notified a draft decree to the WTO TBT Committee on January 6, 2022, as G/TBT/N/IDN/140 regarding materials that are exempted from mandatory halal certification. The comment deadline for this notification is March 6, 2022. Comments can be sent to Indonesia's TBT Enquiry Point at tbt.indonesia@gmail.com and tbt.indonesia@bsn.go.id.

On January 6, 2022, the Government of Indonesia (GOI) notified a new implementing regulation of Government Regulation No. 39/2021 as a draft MORA decree regarding Materials that are Exempt from Mandatory Halal Certification to the WTO TBT Committee as [G/TBT/N/IDN/140](#). This draft decree provides an extensive list of ingredients or materials that are not required to obtain halal certification. This list is also known as the halal positive list.

The halal positive list includes ingredients considered to be halal by their nature that were not subject to any processing or were processed without the addition of food additives, food processing aids, or other materials; do not contain or come into contact with prohibited (*haram*); and are not dangerous. More than 4,000 chemical substances that serve as food additives and/or food processing aids are also included in this list.

This draft decree will also serve as a reference guideline for halal interlocutors by setting forth the specific ingredients that are exempted from halal certification requirements. An unofficial English translation of this draft decree is available at this [link](#). The deadline for comments is March 6, 2022.

The contact information for Indonesia's Enquiry Point for this notification is as follows:

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