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State of Qatar

Supreme Council of Health

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Circular

Based on the decision of the board of directors of the Office of the Gulf Standards Organization (GSO) in its 14<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 09/08/2011, the Gulf Technical Regulations were adopted, which prohibit the ban on importing and selling tobacco packages, which do not carry the pictorial health warnings as of 09/08/2012.

Therefore, it is requested to notify all importers and traders of tobacco and its products and comply with the following instructions:

Prohibit import and sell of tobacco packages that do not carry the health warnings as of 09/08/2012 and a respite period will be given to the tobacco importing companies not exceeding 3 months from the date of this circular. And this is to deplete and market the stock, which does not conform to the Gulf Technical Regulations. And it will not be allowed for any non-conforming shipment to enter the country after the implementation of the law dated as above.

With best respect and regards,

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