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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>UNITED KINGDOM</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: The Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and The Health and Safety Executive
3.	Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Products (and associated GB commodity codes): 0251010 Lamb's lettuces/corn salads; 0251020 Lettuces; 0251030 Escaroles/broad-leaved endives; 0251040 Cresses and other sprouts and shoots; 0251050 Land cresses; 0251060 Roman rocket/rucola; 0251070 Red mustards; 0251080 Baby leaf crops (including brassica species); 0251990 Others – Lettuce and other salad plants including brassica; 0252020 Purslanes; 0252030 Chards/beet leaves; 0252990 Others – spinach and similar (leaves); 0253000 Grape leaves and similar species; 0254000 Watercresses; 0256010 Chervil; 0256020 Chives; 0256030 Celery leaves; 0256040 Parsley; 0256050 Sage; 0256060 Rosemary; 0256070 Thyme; 0256080 Basil and edible flowers; 0256090 Laurel/bay leaves; 0256100 Tarragon; 0256990 Others - Herbs * For reference, the full list of GB commodity codes is set out in Part 1 of the GB pesticides Maximum Residue Level Statutory Register – see link).
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5.	Title of the notified document: New GB MRLs for sulfoxaflor amending the GB MRL Statutory Register. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 20 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/GBR/24_08184_00_e.pdf
6.	Description of content: An application was received by the Health and Safety Executive to set new MRLs for sulfoxaflor in/on leaf vegetables, herbs and edible flowers (0250000), excluding witloof (0255000). Following assessment new MRLs have been introduced. The Evaluation Report supporting the new MRLs is available at the following link. A complete list of the new MRLs is available within this document, see pages 6-7: https://www.hse.gov.uk/pesticides/assets/docs/mrln-aatx-0784.pdf The residue levels arising in food and feed from the notified uses result in consumer exposures below the toxicological reference values and therefore harmful effects on human health are not expected. As the residue levels exceed the current MRLs in force, new MRLs are being adopted.
7.	Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.

8.	<p>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): Codex standard derived from JMPR active substance number 252</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: The GB MRLs being adopted are the same as the CXLs for sulfoxaflor/ Leafy vegetables (group), applying to 0250000 (group of leaf vegetables, herbs and edible flowers), excluding witloof (0255000) and spinaches (0252010).</p> <p>An acute intake concern was identified for witloofs/Belgian endive; hence the CXL could not be adopted for this specific crop within the group of leafy vegetables, herbs and edible flowers.</p>
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
10.	<p>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 31 October 2024</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 31 October 2024</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 31 October 2024</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>UK WTO SPS National Notification Authority and Enquiry Point Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Seacole Building 2 Marsham St London SW1P 4DF E-mail: uksps@defra.gov.uk Website: https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-rural-affairs</p>
13.	<p>Text(s) available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>UK WTO SPS National Notification Authority and Enquiry Point Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Seacole Building 2 Marsham St London SW1P 4DF E-mail: uksps@defra.gov.uk Website: https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-rural-affairs</p>