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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>UKRAINE</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Environmental Protection and Natural Resources of Ukraine
<b>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):</b> Invasive alien plant and animal species
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>All trading partners</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Specific regions or countries:</b>
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Draft Law of Ukraine "On Amendments to Certain Legislative Acts of Ukraine Concerning the Definition of Powers of Central Executive Authorities in Managing Invasive Alien Plant and Animal Species, Including the Introduction of Measures to Counter and Prevent the Spread of Such Species". <b>Language(s):</b> Ukrainian. <b>Number of pages:</b> 18 <a href="https://mepr.gov.ua/povidomlennya-pro-oprylyudnennya-proyektu-zakonu-ukrayiny-pro-vnesennya-zmin-do-deyakyh-zakonodavchyh-aktiv-ukrayiny-shhodo-vyznachennya-povnovazhen-tsentralnyh-organiv-vykonavchoyi-vlady-shhodo-povod/">https://mepr.gov.ua/povidomlennya-pro-oprylyudnennya-proyektu-zakonu-ukrayiny-pro-vnesennya-zmin-do-deyakyh-zakonodavchyh-aktiv-ukrayiny-shhodo-vyznachennya-povnovazhen-tsentralnyh-organiv-vykonavchoyi-vlady-shhodo-povod/</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/UKR/25_01327_00_x.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/UKR/25_01327_00_x.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The draft Law has been developed with the aim of defining the powers of central executive authorities in the formation and implementation of state policy regarding the management of invasive alien plant and animal species, as well as other living organisms, and their use across various sectors of economic activity. It also aims to set up legislative provisions concerning the management of alien species, including measures to counteract, prevent, and control their spread; prevent, halt, or mitigate the negative impacts of invasive alien plant and animal species on the environment, local species, biodiversity, economy, and human health; fulfill international obligations and strengthen cooperation with the European Union and the authorities of other foreign states (their competent bodies and organizations) on issues related to invasive alien species.  The draft Law proposes, in particular, the introduction of the term "invasive alien species" into legislation of Ukraine and the classification of such species as pests. It also includes provisions for establishing procedures for managing invasive alien species, classifying alien species as invasive; approving the official register of invasive alien species in Ukraine; enhancing cooperation with the European Union and the authorities of foreign countries (their competent bodies and organizations) on matters related to invasive alien species.  The draft Law also specifies that invasive alien species listed in the relevant registers of Ukraine and/or the European Union will be subject to regulation for the purposes of import, export, and re-export to control their movement within Ukraine. These species will be governed by the regulatory framework set out by the Laws of Ukraine "On Plant Quarantine" and "On Veterinary Medicine". The importation of such species into Ukraine

	<p>(including for transit purposes) and the export of invasive alien species listed in the relevant European Union register from Ukraine to the European Union, along with their acclimatization, introduction, cultivation, release into the natural environment, and maintenance and reproduction (breeding, propagation) in open systems, will be prohibited.</p> <p>The procedure for granting, refusing, reissuing, issuing duplicates, and revoking permits for the use of invasive alien species will be set by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine. A permit will be granted upon request, which must include a justification for the need to use the invasive alien species, a description of the maintenance method, a system for continuous monitoring and control of the spread, a response plan addressing the potential loss of control or spread of the species, a corresponding eradication (destruction) plan. The duration of the permit will be determined based on the potential lifespan of the invasive alien species or the cycle of the economic activity involved.</p> <p>The adoption of proposed amendments is in line with Ukraine's obligations under the Convention on Biological Diversity.</p>
7.	<p><b>Objective and rationale:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.</p>
8.	<p><b>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b></p>
9.	<p><b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Laws of Ukraine "On the Basic Principles (Strategy) of the State Environmental Policy of Ukraine for the Period up to 2030"; "On Environmental Protection"; "On Flora"; "On Fauna"; "On Amendments to Certain Legislative Acts of Ukraine on the State Environmental Monitoring System, Information on the State of the Environment (Environmental Information) and Information Support for Environmental Management"; "On Plant Protection"; "On Plant Quarantine"; "On Hunting and Gaming"; "On Fisheries, Commercial Fishing and Protection of Aquatic Bioresources"; "On Aquaculture"; "On Veterinary Medicine"; "On the List of Permitting Documents in the Field of Economic Activity"; "On the Nature Reserve Fund of Ukraine"</li> <li>• Convention on Biological Diversity</li> </ul>
10.	<p><b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p>
11.	<p><b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): The Law will enter into force on the day following the day of its publication.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b></p>

**12. Final date for comments:** ☒ **Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):** 13 April 2025

**Agency or authority designated to handle comments:** ☒ **National Notification Authority, ☒ National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**

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