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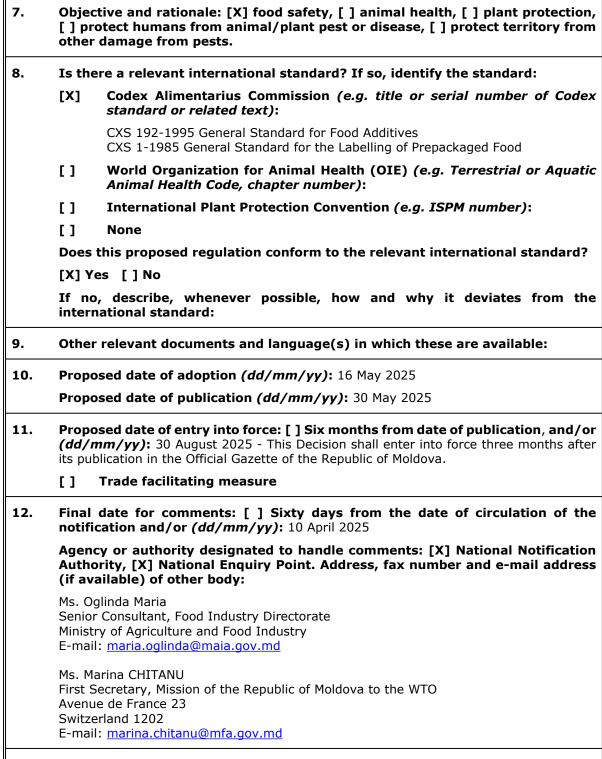
NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA
 - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- 2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture and Food Industry
- 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): Meat and Edible Meat Offal (HS code(s): 02); Preparations of Meat, of Fish, of Crustaceans, Molluscs or other Aquatic Invertebrates, or of Insects (HS code(s): 16); Preparations of Cereals, Flour, Starch or Milk; Pastrycooks' Products (HS code(s): 19). The requirements apply to the following group of products: HS codes 0209, 0210, 160100, 1602, 1902 of the combined nomenclature of the goods, approved by Law no. 172/2014
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [X] All trading partners
 - [] Specific regions or countries:
- **5. Title of the notified document:** The draft Government Decision regarding the amending of the quality requirements for meat preparations and meat products approved by the Government Decision no. 624/2020. **Language(s):** Romanian. **Number of pages:** 8

https://particip.gov.md/ro/document/stages/proiectul-definitivat-al-hotararii-de-guvern-privind-modificarea-hotararii-guvernului-nr6242020-cu-privire-la-aprobarea-cerintelor-de-calitate-pentru-preparate-si-produse-din-carne-nr-unic-90maia2025/14223

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6. Description of content: The drafting of the new GD aims to revise and update the provisions of the Quality Requirements for Meat Preparations and Products. Issues such as traceability, food safety and quality, access to international markets, and consumer protection are becoming increasingly important for government authorities, as well as producer and processor associations. The sector is under growing external competitive pressure, facing a wider variety of products on the market, rising production costs, especially in meat production. Additionally, unfair competition arises from the import of lower-quality meat preparations and products sold at lower prices compared to domestically produced goods, which are both higher in quality and cost. The provisions to be included in the project will have a positive impact on both the consumer and the producer. Establishing clear quality requirements will help the producer comply with them, while the control authorities will ensure adherence to these requirements. The approval of the draft Government Decision aims to adjust the regulatory framework for implementation, ensuring compliance with the provisions of the applicable legislation, without placing financial pressure on producers or importers.



13. Text(s) available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: