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NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

Addendum

The following communication, received on 27 June 2025, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of Viet Nam.

Draft Decree amending Decree No 15/2018/NĐ-CP dated 2 February 2018, of Government

Viet Nam notified to update the new version of the Draft. The updated contents focus on:

1. The contents related to Administrative Procedure Reform as requirement of the Government:

- a) Remove certain cases from state inspection requirements for imported food safety (Products already granted a Certificate of Product Declaration Registration; imported products and ingredients used solely for internal production);
- b) Reduce and simplify certain administrative procedures and requirements for designating food testing laboratories:
 - Reduce/simplify the requirement to submit a business registration certificate aligned with the product type in dossiers for certifying food safety-eligible establishments;
 - Abolish one procedure regarding exemption from regular monitoring of testing facilities;
 - Cut down and simplify 4 of 9 documents required in the dossier for testing facility designation serving state management: 1. Establishment decision or business registration certificate; 2. List and profile of main equipment and infrastructure (aligned with the capacity report); 3. List and profile of testing personnel with certified copies of relevant qualifications; 4. Testing results for the registered field in the last 12 months;
- c) Ministries (Health, Agriculture & Environment, Industry & Trade, and Finance) and Provincial People's Committees are responsible for developing online public service systems to process administrative procedures and manage food safety consistently from central to local levels, ensuring data sharing with the National Public Service Portal.

2. The contents related to other amendments and supplements:

Supplementing regulations to enhance food safety management and increase accountability among ministries, agencies, organizations, and individuals in ensuring food safety and performing administrative procedures:

- Strengthen management of self-declared products;
- Enhance oversight of product registration declarations;
- Improve standards for facilities producing medical nutrition foods, foods for special dietary use, nutritional products for children under 36 months, and food supplements;
- Supplementing post-marketing surveillance regulations based on US standards;
- Enforce stricter food safety law compliance by:
 - Revoking administrative procedure outcomes;
 - Suspending receipt and processing of product declaration dossiers in case of violations;
- Introduce re-registration requirements for product declarations issued before the effective date of the Decree;
- Regulations to strengthen advertising management, including additional regulations on strengthening the responsibilities of parties participating in advertising;

- Supplementing regulations on transferring domestic consumption or changing the purpose of use for food products;
- Specify specific responsibilities of a number of relevant ministries and the Provincial People's Committee in food safety management to proactively manage and prevent businesses from abusing the production of fake products and falsifying test certificates; trading and advertising on e-commerce platforms and social platforms; controlling prices of functional foods and milk for children under 6 years old according to the Law on Prices.

The emergency measures are based on the following information:

- (1) Telegram No. 40/CD-TTg dated 17 April 2025 of the Prime Minister: On handling the case of manufacturing and distributing fake milk;
- (2) Telegram No. 41/CD-TTg dated 17 April 2025 of the Prime Minister: On handling the case of manufacturing and trading in counterfeit medicines and health protection foods;
- (3) Telegram No. 55/CD-TTg dated 2 May 2025 of the Prime Minister on strengthening coordination and strictly handling organizations and individuals involved in manufacturing and trading in counterfeit medicines, fake milk and fake health protection foods;
- (4) Telegram No. 65/CD-TTg dated 15 May 2025 of the Prime Minister on launching a peak period to fight against and repel smuggling, trade fraud, counterfeit goods and infringement of intellectual property rights;
- (5) Telegram No. 72/CD-TTg dated 24 May 2025 of the Prime Minister on continuing to promote the peak of the fight to prevent and repel smuggling, trade fraud, counterfeit goods, and infringement of intellectual property rights.

Relevant documents:

- Viet Nam's Law of Food Safety 55/2010/QH12
- Decree 15/2018/NĐ-CP dated 2 February 2018

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/VNM/25_04211_00_e.pdf

This addendum concerns a:

- ☐ Modification of final date for comments
- ☒ Modification of content and/or scope of previously notified regulation
- ☐ Withdrawal of regulation
- ☐ Change in period of application of measure
- ☐ Other:

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