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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA</u> 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): Live trees and other plants; Bulbs, roots and the like; Cut flowers and ornamental foliage (HS code(s): 06); Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers (HS code(s): 07); Edible fruit and nuts; Peel of citrus fruit or melons (HS code(s): 08); Wood and articles of wood; Wood charcoal (HS code(s): 44); Furniture; Bedding, mattresses, mattress supports, cushions and similar stuffed furnishings; Luminaires and lighting fittings, not elsewhere specified or included; Illuminated signs, illuminated nameplates and the like; Prefabricated buildings (HS code(s): 94) Detailed description of the HS codes: Plants and plant products (HS codes: 0602, 0701.10, 0805, 4401.12.000, 4401.22, 4401.49.000, 4403.12.000, 4404.20.000 ex, 4406, 4407.94, 4416.00.000, 9406.10.000); Plants and plant products (HS codes: 0701.10, 0805, 0602, 4401, 4403, 4407, 4416)
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: Government Decision No. 71/2025 on establishing measures to prevent the introduction of harmful organisms into the territory of the Republic of Moldova. Language(s): Romanian. Number of pages: 29 https://www.legis.md/cautare/getResults?doc_id=147224&lang=ro https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/MDA/25_04132_00_x.pdf
6. Description of content: This Government Decision introduces emergency phytosanitary measures to prevent the introduction and spread of the following harmful organisms into the territory of the Republic of Moldova: <ul style="list-style-type: none">– <i>Phyllosticta citricarpa</i> (McAlpine) Van der Aa, affecting certain citrus fruits from Argentina, Brazil, South Africa, Uruguay, and Zimbabwe;– <i>Aromia bungii</i> (Faldermann), targeting <i>Prunus</i> spp. wood materials;– <i>Ralstonia solanacearum</i> (Smith) Yabuuchi et al., linked to seed potatoes originating from Egypt. These measures transpose, in part, the following EU acts: <ul style="list-style-type: none">– Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/632;– Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/1503;– Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2011/787.

7.	Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – ISPM 4: Requirements for the establishment of pest free areas – ISPM 20: Guidelines for a phytosanitary import regulatory system <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:</p>
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
10.	<p>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 19 February 2025</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 27 February 2025</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 27 February 2025</p> <p><input 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, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Mrs Diana Gherman Head of International Relations and European Integration Department National Food Safety Agency of the Republic of Moldova E-mail: diana.gherman@ansa.gov.md notificari.omc@ansa.gov.md</p> <p>Ms Iulia Haidarli Principal Consultant, Plant Protection and Health Division Ministry of Agriculture and Food Safety E-mail: iulia.haidarli@maia.gov.md</p> <p>Ms Marina Chitanu First Secretary, Mission of the Republic of Moldova to the WTO Avenue de France 23, Geneva, 1202 E-mail: marina.chitanu@mfa.gov.md</p>
13.	<p>Text(s) available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Ms Marina Chitanu First Secretary, Mission of the Republic of Moldova to the WTO Avenue de France 23, Geneva, 1202 E-mail: marina.chitanu@mfa.gov.md</p>