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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

1.	<b>Notifying Member:</b> <u>MALAYSIA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Food Safety and Quality Programme, Ministry of Health Malaysia
3.	<b>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> All foods and food contact materials
4.	<b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> Proposed Amendment of the Food Act 1983 [Act 281]. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 2
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> The proposed amendment of the Food Act 1983 [Act 281] consists of the following aspects: I. to strengthen control of food contact materials; II. expansion of the powers of the Minister and Director General; III. amendments to existing interpretations; IV. strengthening enforcement activities; V. increase the penalty rate.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> <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.	<b>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b> Guidelines for Import Control Systems, CAC/GL 47-2003 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b> <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b>
9.	<b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b>

<b>10.</b>	<b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined. <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.
<b>11.</b>	<b>Proposed date of entry into force: [X] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> <b>[ ] Trade facilitating measure</b>
<b>12.</b>	<b>Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 17 February 2026 <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b> Food Safety and Quality Programme Ministry of Health Malaysia Level 4, Menara Prisma No.26, Jalan Persiaran Perdana, Presint 3 62675 Federal Territory Putrajaya, Malaysia Tel: +(603) 8885 0797 E-mail: <a href="mailto:sps.fsqd@moh.gov.my">sps.fsqd@moh.gov.my</a>
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