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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>ARMENIA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: The Eurasian Economic Commission
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): Sunflower kernels; sunflower halva; sunflower seed gozinaki (HS codes 1206, 170490, 2006)
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5.	Title of the notified document: Draft Decision of the Collegium of the Eurasian Economic Commission on Amendment to Section 1 of Chapter II of the Common Sanitary-Epidemiological and Hygienic Requirements for Products Subject to Sanitary-Epidemiological Supervision (Control). Language(s): Russian. Number of pages: 2+1 https://regulation.eaeunion.org/orv/3309/ https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/ARM/26_00390_00_x.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/ARM/26_00390_01_x.pdf
6.	Description of content: The Draft Decision amends Common Sanitary-Epidemiological and Hygienic Requirements for Products Subject to Sanitary-Epidemiological Supervision (Control) with a requirement for maximum residues level (MRL) for cadmium (Cd) in sunflower kernels not to exceed 0.20 mg/kg. It also updates the existing MRLs for cadmium regarding specific confectionery products as follows: – Sunflower halva: 0.11 mg/kg; – Sunflower gozinaki (confectionery made of sunflower seeds): 0.14 mg/kg. The Technical Regulation TR CU 021/2011 "On Food Safety" will be updated accordingly.
7.	Objective and rationale: <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.	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):

<p>[X] None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p>[] Yes [] No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: The amendments notified rely on a comprehensive scientific research study conducted by the Eurasian Economic Commission in 2024–2025 titled "Justification for Updating Maximum Levels of Cadmium in Sunflower Kernels and Food Products Made of Sunflower Kernels (Halva, Gozinaki)". The full report is available through the link: https://eec.eaeunion.org/comission/nir_results/167795/ (available in Russian).</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. [] Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 17 February 2026</p> <p>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:</p> <p>The Eurasian Economic Commission Department for sanitary, phytosanitary and veterinary measures 2 Letnikovskaya St., bld.1/2 115114 Moscow, Russian Federation Tel: +(7 495) 669 2400 (ext. 5151) E-mail: info@eecommission.org dept_sps@eecommission.org</p>
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