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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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### NOTIFICATION

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> European Commission, Health and Food Safety Directorate-General
<b>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):</b> Preparations of a kind used in animal feeding (HS code(s): 2309)
<b>4. 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:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Draft Commission Implementing Regulation concerning the authorisation of lavender tincture from <i>Lavandula angustifolia</i> Mill. as a feed additive for all animal species and the withdrawal of lavender tincture from <i>Lavandula angustifolia</i> × <i>L. latifolia</i> as a feed additive for all animal species. (Text with EEA relevance). <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 5+3 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/EEC/26_02180_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/EEC/26_02180_00_e.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/EEC/26_02180_01_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/EEC/26_02180_01_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The draft act concerns the authorisation as "flavouring compound" of a tincture from the plant <i>Lavandula angustifolia</i> Mill. within the scope of the EU legislation on feed additives, i.e. Regulation (EC) No. 1831/2003. The measure aims at authorising this additive for all animal species. In addition, the draft act concerns the withdrawal from the EU market of a tincture from the plant <i>Lavandula angustifolia</i> × <i>L. latifolia</i> for all animal species, due to the withdrawal by the applicant of a submitted application for re-authorisation. This measure is required by the regime set out in Article 10 of Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 with regard to the status of 'existing products', i.e. additives which were allowed under the previous Directive 70/524/EEC. Transitional periods are laid down for the interested parties to prepare themselves to meet the requirement concerning the new authorisation and withdrawal from the market of the products concerned.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" 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.

<p><b>8.</b></p>	<p><b>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b> Code of practice on Good Animal Feeding CAC/RCP 54-2004</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b></p>
<p><b>9.</b></p>	<p><b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p> <p>EFSA opinion on the safety and efficacy of a feed additive consisting of a tincture derived from the flowers of <i>Lavandula angustifolia</i> Mill. (lavender tincture) for use in all animal species: <a href="https://efsa.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.2903/j.efsa.2025.9550">https://efsa.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.2903/j.efsa.2025.9550</a> (available in English)</p>
<p><b>10.</b></p>	<p><b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> September 2026</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> September 2026</p>
<p><b>11.</b></p>	<p><b>Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
<p><b>12.</b></p>	<p><b>Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 22 June 2026</p> <p><b>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:</b></p> <p>European Commission DG Health and Food Safety, Unit A4-Multilateral International Relations Rue Froissart 101 B-1049 Brussels Tel: +(32 2) 295 4263 E-mail: <a href="mailto:sps@ec.europa.eu">sps@ec.europa.eu</a></p>
<p><b>13.</b></p>	<p><b>Text(s) available from: <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:</b></p> <p>European Commission DG Health and Food Safety, Unit A4-Multilateral International Relations Rue Froissart 101 B-1049 Brussels Tel: +(32 2) 295 4263 E-mail: <a href="mailto:sps@ec.europa.eu">sps@ec.europa.eu</a></p>