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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: VIET NAM If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Nature and Biodiversity Conservation Agency, Ministry of Agriculture and Environment
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): Living modified organisms (LMOs), genetically modified organisms (GMOs), genetic materials, and products derived from GMOs used for food, feed, or processing. This measure may also cover agricultural commodities and products that contain, consist of GMOs.
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: ☒ All trading partners ☐ Specific regions or countries:
5.	Title of the notified document: Decree amending and supplementing a number of articles of decrees in the field of forestry and forest protection; Nature and Biodiversity Conservation. Language(s): English and Vietnamese. Number of pages: 21 and 19 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/VNM/26_03899_00_e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/VNM/26_03899_00_x.pdf
6.	Description of content: Main amendments include: – Abolish the administrative procedure for the re-issuance of permits and certificates; – Clarify the responsibilities of commune-level People's Committees in responding to risk incidents; – Revise and clarify certain provisions governing confined field trials and contained use.
7.	Objective and rationale: ☒ food safety, ☒ animal health, ☐ plant protection, ☐ protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, ☐ protect territory from other damage from pests.

8.	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: ☒ Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): CAC/GL 45-2003: Guideline for the Conduct of Food Safety Assessment of Foods Derived from Recombinant - DNA Plants ☐ World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): ☐ International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): ☐ None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? ☒ Yes ☐ No If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 31 December 2026 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: ☐ Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 January 2027 ☐ Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: ☒ Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 22 September 2026 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: Viet Nam Sanitary and Phytosanitary Notification Authority and Enquiry Point No 10 Nguyen Cong Hoan Street, Giang Vo ward, Ha Noi, Viet Nam Tel: +(84 4) 3734 4764 E-mail: spsvietnam@mae.gov.vn Website: http://www.spsvietnam.gov.vn Nature and Biodiversity Conservation Agency No 10 Ton That Thuyet Street, Cau Giay ward, Ha Noi, Viet Nam Tel: +(84 4) 3795 6868 (3113) E-mail: vpbca@mae.gov.vn Website: http://nbca.gov.vn
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