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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: Department of Fisheries And Surveillance, 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): Bigeye tuna and Bigeye tuna products
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: The regulation on inspection and control of Bigeye tuna (<i>Thunnus obesus</i>) originating from fishing activities that are imported, temporarily imported, re-exported and transited through Vietnam by container vessels. Language(s): English and Vietnamese. Number of pages: 7 and 6 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/VNM/26_04733_00_e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/VNM/26_04733_00_x.pdf
6.	Description of content: The regulation on inspection and control of albacore tuna (<i>Thunnus alalunga</i>) originating from catches that are imported, temporarily imported, re-exported and transited through Viet Nam by container vessels. The regulation shall apply to Vietnamese organizations and individuals related to the import of Bigeye tuna and Bigeye tuna products by container vessels.
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): ☐ 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: – Fisheries Law No. 18/2017/QH14 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/VNM/26_04733_01_e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/VNM/26_04733_01_x.pdf – Decree No. 41/2026/NĐ-CP https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/VNM/26_04733_02_e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/VNM/26_04733_02_x.pdf (available in English and Vietnamese)
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 20 November 2026 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 20 November 2026
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 20 December 2026 [] Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 15 November 2026 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] 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 Department of Fisheries And Surveillance No 10 Nguyen Cong Hoan Street, Giang Vo ward, Ha Noi, Viet Nam E-mail: thanhhuong383@gmail.com
13.	Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: http://www.spsvietnam.gov.vn/thong-bao-viet-nam