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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: Plant Production and Protection Department (PPPD), Ministry of Agricultural 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): Soil ball plants
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, supplementing a number of articles of Decree 38/2026/NĐ-CP issued on 24 January 2026 by the Government promulgating import of soil ball plants and production unit codes, packing house codes. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 8 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/VNM/26_05154_00_e.pdf
6.	Description of content: The draft Decree amends, supplements a number of articles of Decree 38/2026/NĐ-CP issued on 24 January 2026 by the Government promulgating import of soil ball plants and production unit codes, packing house codes: i) Ensure the compliance with the ensure constitutionality, legality, consistency, and coherence in the formulation of detailed regulations on granting and management of production unit codes, packing house codes, which are prescribed in Article 64 of the Law on Crop Production 31/2018/QH14 amended, supplemented by Law 146/2025/QH15; ii) Ensure the decentralization and authority delegation, practical simplification of administrative procedures, publicity, transparency; no new administrative procedures created, no new components in a dossier created, facilitation for organizations, individuals but fulfillment of the State management requirements; iii) (iii) Promote application of information technology, deal with administrative procedures in the electronic environment; strengthen decentralization, in close relation with post-examination mechanism and enhanced responsibilities of organizations, individuals during the implementation; iv) (iv) Ensure compliance with the relevant legislation, match with crop production conditions in Viet Nam, meet requirements of importing countries for export production units, packing houses for, contribute to raising competitiveness of Vietnamese agricultural products; v) (v) Link the simplification of administrative procedures with the enhancement of responsibility for self-declaration, self-accountability of organizations, individuals to; and, with post-examination, inspection, examination of of the State management agencies, and settlement of untruthful declaration cases or violations. The draft Decree aims to reduce, simplify administrative procedures, business investment conditions, decentralization, update processes and forms.

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: • Law on Crop Production 31/2018/QH14, amended and supplemented by the Law 146/2025/QH15 and Law 21/2026/QH16 • Law on Plant Protection and Quarantine 41/2013/QH13, amended and supplemented by the Law 35/2018/QH14, Law 146/2025/QH15 and Law 21/2026/QH16 (available in Vietnamese)
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. 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): To be determined. ☒ Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: ☒ Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 December 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, Hanoi, Viet Nam Tel: +(84 4) 3734 4764 E-mail: spsvietnam@mae.gov.vn Website: http://www.spsvietnam.gov.vn Plant Production and Protection Department (PPPD) 149 Ho Duc Di Street, Hanoi, Viet Nam E-mail: cspc_ttbtv@mae.gov.vn Website: http://www.ppd.gov.vn
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