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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	**Notifying Member:** CANADA **If applicable, name of local government involved:**
2.	**Agency responsible:** Health Canada
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):** Chloropentafluoroethane and octafluorocyclobutane; (ICS Codes: 67.220.20)
4.	**Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:** **[X] All trading partners** **[ ] Specific regions or countries:**
5.	**Title of the notified document:** Proposal to modify the *List of Permitted Food Additives with Other Purposes of Use* (chloropentafluoroethane and octafluorocyclobutane). **Language(s):** English and French. **Number of pages:** -
6.	**Description of content:** Health Canada has launched a consultation on a proposal to no longer allow chloropentafluoroethane and octafluorocyclobutane to be used as food additives by removing their respective entries from the List of Permitted Food Additives with Other Purposes of Use, as described in the notice. The purpose of the information document is to publicly announce the Department's intention in this regard and to provide the appropriate contact information for those wishing to submit an inquiry or new scientific information relevant to the safety of this food additive.
7.	**Objective and rationale: [X] 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)*:** **[X] 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:** Health Canada Website: https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/legislation-guidelines/acts-regulations/notices-proposal-notices-modification.html, posted on 29 October 2026 (available in English and French).
10.	**Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** The modification to the food additive's permitted use is legally enabled once published in Health Canada's Lists of Permitted Food Additives: (https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/food-safety/food-additives/lists-permitted.html). **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** The modification to the food additive's permitted use is legally enabled once published in Health Canada's Lists of Permitted Food Additives: (https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/food-safety/food-additives/lists-permitted.html).
11.	**Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** The food additive modification noted in this document comes into force the day it is made to the *Lists of Permitted Food Additives*: (https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/food-safety/food-additives/lists-permitted.html). **[ ] Trade facilitating measure**
12.	**Final date for comments: [ ] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 27 January 2027 (90 days from the date of publication of the notice of modification). **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**
13.	**Text(s) available from: [ ] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:** The following notices are available through the following weblinks: • Proposal to modify the *List of Permitted Food Additives with Other Purposes of Use* (chloropentafluoroethane and octafluorocyclobutane) https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/legislation-guidelines/acts-regulations/notices-proposal-notices-modification/list-permitted-additives-chloropentafluoroethane-octafluorocyclobutane.html (English) https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/legislation-lignes-directrices/lois-reglements/avis-proposition-avis-modification/liste-additifs-autorises-chloropentafluorethane-octafluorocyclobutane.html (French) Or requested from: Canada's Notification Authority and Enquiry Point Technical Barriers and Regulations Division Global Affairs Canada 111 Sussex Drive Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0G2 Canada E-mail: pointdinformation@international.gc.ca