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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: THAILAND		
	If applicable, name of local government involved:		
2.	Agency responsible: National Bureau of Agricultural Commodity and Food Standards (ACFS)		
	Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives 50 Paholyothin Rd., Ladyao, Chatuchak, Bangkok 10900 Tel: +(662) 561 2277 ext. 1411-12 Fax: +(662) 561 3357 +(662) 561 3373 E-mail: codex@acfs.go.th Website: <u>http://www.acfs.go.th</u>		
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): Frozen durian, HS Code: 0811.9000.002		
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: Draft Thai Agricultural Standard entitled "Code of Practice for Frozen Durian". Language(s): Thai and English. Number of pages: 18 and 16		
	http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/THA/17 0926 00 x.pdf http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/THA/17 0926 00 e.pdf		
6.	Description of content: This Thai agricultural standard (TAS) establishes Good Manufacturing Practices for frozen durian. This standard covers principles of food hygiene for frozen durian in the forms of whole fruit, durian flesh with or without seed starting from raw material receiving, processing, storing to transporting to ensure that frozen durian is safe and suitable for human consumption.		
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:		
	[X] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): CAC/RCP 1-1969, Rev.4- 2003. Recommended International Code of Practice General Principles of Food Hygiene and Code of Practice for the Processing and Handling of Quick Frozen Foods (CAC/RCP 8- 1976 Revision 3-2008)		

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	[] 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?	
	[X] 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: The Agricultural Standards Act, B.E. 2551 (2008)	
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): 30 days after published in Royal Gazette.	
	[] Trade facilitating measure	
12.	Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 18 April 2017	
	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:	
	Thailand SPS Contact Point National Bureau of Agricultural Commodity and Food Standards Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives 50 Paholyothin Rd., Ladyao, Chatuchak, Bangkok 10900 Tel: +(662) 561 4204 Fax: +(662) 561 4034 E-mail: spsthailand@gmail.com Website: <u>http://www.acfs.go.th</u>	
13.	Text(s) available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:	
	Thailand SPS Contact Point: E-mail: spsthailand@gmail.com	