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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>AUSTRALIA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Department of Agriculture and Water Resources
<b>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):</b> Cooked and uncooked prawns and prawn products
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Biosecurity Advice 2017/07 Prawns and prawn products from all countries for human consumption. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 1
<b>6. Description of content:</b> As set out in the Biosecurity Advice ( <a href="http://www.agriculture.gov.au/SiteCollectionDocuments/ba/memos/2017/ba2017-07.pdf">http://www.agriculture.gov.au/SiteCollectionDocuments/ba/memos/2017/ba2017-07.pdf</a> ), Australia's Director of Biosecurity is conducting a review of Australia's import requirements for prawns and prawn products for human consumption from all countries. The review will identify and categorise hazards of biosecurity concern associated with the importation of these products, including undertaking risk assessments of disease agents as required.  Trading partners will be informed of the release of the draft report and will have the opportunity to provide comment.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
<b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b>

<b>9.</b>	<b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> <i>Final generic import risk analysis report for prawns and prawn products 2009</i> – <a href="http://www.agriculture.gov.au/SiteCollectionDocuments/about/iraap-prawns.pdf">http://www.agriculture.gov.au/SiteCollectionDocuments/about/iraap-prawns.pdf</a> (available in English)
<b>10.</b>	<b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> Adoption anticipated late 2019. <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> Publication anticipated mid-2019.
<b>11.</b>	<b>Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> Entry into force anticipated late 2019. <b>[ ] Trade facilitating measure</b>
<b>12.</b>	<b>Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 16 July 2017 <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [ ] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b>
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