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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: European Commission, Health and Food Safety Directorate-General
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): Cereals (HS Codes: 1001, 1002, 1003, 1004, 1005, 1006, 1007, 1008), foodstuffs of animal origin (HS Codes: 0201, 0202, 0203, 0204, 0205, 0206, 0207, 0208, 0209, 0210) and certain products of plant origin, including fruit and vegetables.
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Commission Regulation (EU) replacing Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and the Council" (Text with EEA relevance). Language(s): English. Number of pages: 4+32 http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/EEC/17_2730_00_e.pdf http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/EEC/17_2730_01_e.pdf http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/EEC/17_2730_02_e.pdf http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/EEC/17_2730_03_e.pdf
6. Description of content: The act replaces Annex I of Regulation 396/2005, which is the list of the products to which the MRLs apply. Annex I was last amended in 2014 and several amendments are necessary to improve its overall clarity. The general scope and structure of Annex I remain unchanged. Main amendments introduced are: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- names and definitions of some groups of products are clarified;- the wording of the footnote (1) has been reviewed in order to increase clarity, but the scope and application are unchanged;- the expired footnotes are deleted;- the spelling and the position of some products are corrected;- the column "part of the products to which the MRLs apply" is better defined for some groups of products;- around 25 new species or varieties available on the market have been introduced in Part B of Annex I.
7. Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input 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.

<p>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): September 2017</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): January 2018</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 20 days after its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 14 August 2017</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>European Commission DG Health and Food Safety, Unit D2-Multilateral International Relations Rue Froissart 101 B-1049 Brussels Tel: +(32 2) 295 4263 Fax: +(32 2) 299 8090 E-mail: sps@ec.europa.eu</p>
<p>13. Text(s) available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>European Commission DG Health and Food Safety, Unit D2-Multilateral International Relations Rue Froissart 101 B-1049 Brussels Tel: +(32 2) 295 4263 Fax: +(32 2) 299 8090 E-mail: sps@ec.europa.eu</p>