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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): Plants, other than fruit and seeds, having a diameter of the stem at the base of over 5cm of <i>Areca catechu</i> , <i>Arecastrum romanzoffianum</i> (Cham) Becc, <i>Arenga pinnata</i> , <i>Borassus flabellifer</i> , <i>Brahea armata</i> , <i>Butia capitata</i> , <i>Calamus merillii</i> , <i>Caryota maxima</i> , <i>Caryota cumingii</i> , <i>Chamaerops humilis</i> , <i>Cocos nucifera</i> , <i>Corypha gebanga</i> , <i>Corypha elata</i> , <i>Elaeis guineensis</i> , <i>Howea forsteriana</i> , <i>Jubea chilensis</i> , <i>Livistona australis</i> , <i>Livistona decipiens</i> , <i>Metroxylon sagu</i> , <i>Oreodoxa regia</i> , <i>Phoenix canariensis</i> , <i>Phoenix dactylifera</i> , <i>Phoenix theophrasti</i> , <i>Phoenix sylvestris</i> , <i>Sabal umbraculifera</i> , <i>Trachycarpus fortunei</i> and <i>Washingtonia</i> spp
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 Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/490 of 21 March 2018 repealing Decision 2007/365/EC on emergency measures to prevent the introduction into and the spread within the Community of <i>Rhynchophorus ferrugineus</i> (Olivier). Language(s): English, French, Spanish. Number of pages: 1
6. Description of content: Repeal of the emergency measures concerning the prevention of the introduction and the spread of <i>Rhynchophorus ferrugineus</i> in the EU territory. Specific requirements were introduced with Directive (EU) 2017/1279 to ensure the protection of Ireland, United Kingdom and Azores (Portugal), defined as protected zones for this pest. Furthermore, <i>Rhynchophorus ferrugineus</i> has also been listed by Directive (EU) 2018/484 as a regulated non quarantine pest for the EU territory in order to ensure that propagating material of <i>Palmae</i> , which is marketed within the Union is free from the pest.
7. Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input checked="" 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.
8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <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

<p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <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>	
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
10.	<p>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 21 March 2018</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 23 March 2018</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 October 2018</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable</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) 29 54263 Fax: +(32 2) 29 98090 E-mail: sps@ec.europa.eu</p>
13.	<p>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) 29 54263 Fax: +(32 2) 29 98090 E-mail: sps@ec.europa.eu</p>