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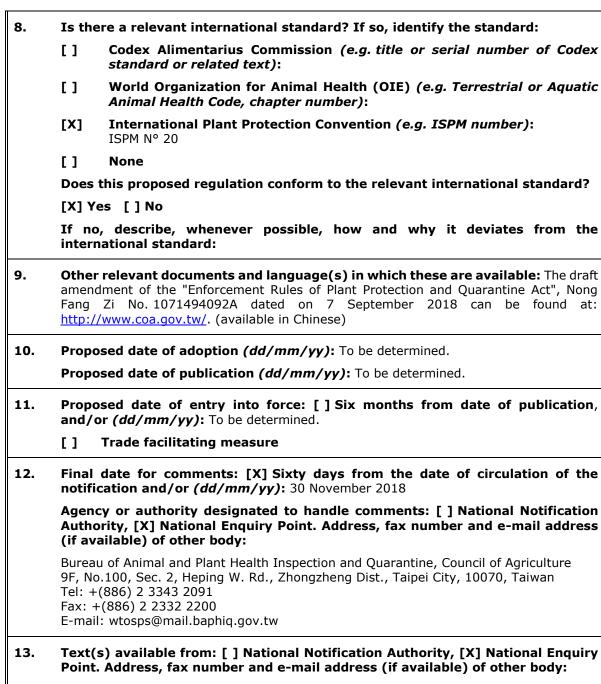
NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU
 - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- **2. Agency responsible:** Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine, Council of Agriculture
- 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, plant products and any other regulated articles
- 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: Summary draft amendment of the "Enforcement Rules of Plant Protection and Quarantine Act". Language(s): English. Number of pages: 6
 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/TPKM/18 5128 00 x.pdf
- 6. Description of content:

The "Enforcement Rules of Plant Protection and Quarantine Act" (hereinafter referred to as the Enforcement Rules) is authorized by Article 27 of the Plant Protection and Quarantine Act (hereinafter referred to as the Act). In accordance with the amendment of the Act on 20 June 2018, nine articles are revised or removed.

The contents of the revised or removed articles are as follows:

- 1. In accordance with amendment of Article 19 of the Act, we amended the authorization basis of Article 5 of the Enforcement Rules.
- 2. Articles 10 to 13 were deleted since they had been included in other regulations authorized by paragraph 4 of Article 14 of the Act. In addition, Articles 14 and 20 were also deleted since they had been moved to the Act.
- 3. In order to enhance the personnel safety during border inspection, we amended Article 15 and the inspection shall be conducted in centralized inspection areas, warehouse, or other safe areas recognized by the plant quarantine authority.
- 4. Article 17 was amended and border quarantine inspection can be done using sample batch inspection.
- 7. Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [] animal health, [X] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [X] protect territory from other damage from pests.



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