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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): Products of animal origin intended for human consumption
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: Draft Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) concerning specific rules for the performance of official controls on the production of meat and for production and relaying areas of live bivalve molluscs in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2017/625 of the European Parliament and of the Council (Text with EEA relevance); Draft Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) laying down uniform practical arrangements for the performance of official controls on products of animal origin intended for human consumption in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2017/625 of the European Parliament and of the Council and amending Commission Regulation (EC) No 2074/2005 as regards official controls (Text with EEA relevance). Language(s): English. Number of pages: 17 + 9 (annexes) and 52 + 12 (annexes) https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/EEC/18_5352_00_e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/EEC/18_5352_01_e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/EEC/18_5352_02_e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/EEC/18_5352_03_e.pdf
6. Description of content: The two draft Regulations lay down official controls in products of animal origin intended for human consumption. They replace the current rules of Regulation (EC) No 854/2004 which will be repealed. The controls mainly concern fresh meat (meat inspection), bivalve molluscs, fishery products, milk and dairy products. Draft Delegated Regulation focuses on who should carry out the meat inspection and provides derogations to the basic requirements laid down in Article 18 of Regulation (EU) 2017/625 on official controls. Draft Implementing Regulation lays down practical arrangements (what and how) for the official controls in the products of animal origin. These draft Regulations intend to provide continuity of the current rules of Regulation (EC) No 854/2004 introducing adaptation to better define to adapt to currently most relevant hazards, using a risk-based approach based on scientific opinions of the European Food Safety Authority.

<p>The two texts are notified together because they are linked to each other. One focuses on who is responsible for the official controls and the other on the specific tasks to be carried out.</p>	
7.	<p>Objective and rationale: <input checked="" 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.</p>
8.	<p>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): CAC/RCP 58-2005</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): Terrestrial Animal Health Code, Chapters 6.1 to 6.3</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input checked="" 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.	<p>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Regulation (EU) 2017/625 and Regulation (EC) No 854/2004, available in all the official languages of the European Union.</p>
10.	<p>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): Spring 2019.</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): Spring 2019.</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 14 December 2019</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 11 December 2018</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>