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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: EUROPEAN UNION
 - 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, plant products or other objects
- 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: Draft Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) supplementing Regulation (EU) 2016/2031 of the European Parliament and of the Council on protective measures against pests of plants, authorising Member States to provide for temporary derogations in view of official testing, scientific or educational purposes, trials, varietal selections, or breeding. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 8+4

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6. **Description of content:** This draft Regulation lays down the conditions for derogation from the import prohibition or the standard phytosanitary procedures laid down in Regulation (EU) 2016/2031, under which specified pests and plants, plant products and other objects may be introduced into, or moved, held, multiplied or used within, the Union, or protected zones therein, for official testing, scientific or educational purposes, trials, varietal selection or breeding.

The scope of the draft legislation covers:

- Union quarantine pests, listed pursuant to Article 5 of Regulation (EU) 2016/2031;
- Pests subject to the measures adopted pursuant to Article 30(1) of that Regulation;
- Protected zone quarantine pests, listed pursuant to Article 32(3) of that Regulation;
- Plants, plant products or other objects listed pursuant to Articles 40(2), 41(2), 42(2), 49(1), 53(2) and 54(2) of that Regulation.
- 7. Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [] animal health, [X] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests.
- 8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:
 - [] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):

[] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): ISPM 1, [X] ISPM 20 None [] Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? [X] Yes [] No If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: 9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: 10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): Early 2019. Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): Mid 2019. 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): Mid 2019; Date of application: 14 December 2019 [] Trade facilitating measure 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 11 December 2018 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: **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 13. Text(s) available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enguiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: European Commission DG Health and Food Safety, Unit D2-Multilateral International Relations Rue Froissart 101 B-1049 Brussels Tel: +(32 2) 29 54263

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