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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u>
 - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- 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): Numerous positions under chapters 6 (Live trees and other plants), 7 (Edible vegetables), 8 (Edible fruit), 44 (Wood and articles of wood), 84 (Machinery) and 87 (Vehicles)
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [X] All trading partners
 - [] Specific regions or countries:
- **Title of the notified document:** Draft Commission Implementing Decision amending Annexes I to V to Council Directive 2000/29/EC on protective measures against the introduction into the Community of organisms harmful to plants or plant products and against their spread within the Community. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 34

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Description of content: This text introduces amendments to the Annexes of the EU Plant Health Directive (Council Directive 2000/29/EC) listing the EU regulated harmful organisms (quarantine plant pests) and regulated articles, as well as laying down provisions for the introduction into, and movement within, the Union of plants, plant products and other objects.

The following harmful organisms are added to the list of EU quarantine pests: *Aromia bungii* (Faldermann), *Elsinoë australis* Bitanc. and Jenk., *Elsinoë citricola* X.L. Fan, R.W. Barreto & Crous., *Elsinoë fawcettii* Bitanc. and Jenk, *Fusarium circinatum* Nirenberg & O'Donnell, *Geosmithia morbida* Kolarík, Freeland, Utley & Tisserat, *Neoleucinodes elegantalis* (Guenée), *Oemona hirta* (Fabricius), *Pityophthorus juglandis* Blackman.

The listing of the following harmful organisms has been amended: *Ceratocystis platani* (J. M. Walter) Engelbr. & T. C. Harr, *Elsinoë* spp. Bitanc. and Jenk. Mendes, *Grapholita packardi* Zeller, *Liriomyza huidobrensis* (Blanchard) and *Liriomyza trifolii* (Burgess).

The following new regulated articles are added to the EU list of plants, plant products and other objects that have to be accompanied by a Phytosanitary Certificate at import into the European Union, and are subject to phytosanitary import inspection: fruits of *Actinidia* Lindl., *Carica papaya* L., *Fragaria* L., *Persea americana* Mill., *Rubus* L. *Solanaceae*, and *Vitis* L.; part of plants of *Convolvulus* L., *Ipomoea* L., *Micromeria* Benth and *Solanaceae*; and machinery and vehicles, which have been operated for agricultural or forestry purposes. In addition, for already listed fruits of *Annona* L., *Cydonia* Mill., *Diospyros* L.,

Malus L., Mangifera L., Passiflora L., Prunus L., Psidium L., Pyrus L., Ribes L., Syzygium Gaertn. and Vaccinium L., the geographical scope has been broadened. Amendments in the Phytosanitary Certificate requirements for part of plants and wood of Fraxinus L., Juglans L., Platanus L., and Ulmus davidiana L. are included.

Import requirements for plants or plant products of the following plant orders/families/genera/species are introduced or are amended:

Capsicum L., Capsicum annuum L., Citrus L., Fortunella Swingle, Poncirus Raf., and their hybrids, Crataegus L., Cydonia Mill., Juglans L., Malus L., Mangifera L., Platanus L., Prunus L., Prunus persica (L.), Punica granatum L., Pyrus L., Pterocarya Kunth, Solanaceae, Solanum aethiopicum L., Solanum lycopersicum L., Solanum melongena L., Solanum tuberosum, and Vaccinium L.

Import requirements have also been introduced or amended for bulbs, corms, rhizomes and tubers, intended for planting, root and tubercle vegetables, soil and growing media. as well as for machinery and vehicles, which have been operated for agricultural or forestry purposes.

Requirements for protected zones have been amended for plants of *Begonia* L., intended for planting, other than seeds, tubers and corms, and plants of *Ajuga* L., *Crossandra* Salisb., *Dipladenia* A.DC., *Euphorbia pulcherrima* Willd *Ficus* L., *Hibiscus* L., *Mandevilla* Lindl., *Nerium oleander* L. and *Quercus* L.

- 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):
 - [X] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
 - ISPM No. 1: "Phytosanitary principles for the protection of plants and the application of phytosanitary measures in international trade"
 - ISPM No. 40: "International movement of growing media in association with plants for planting"
 - ISPM No. 41: "International movement of used vehicles, machinery and equipment"
 - [] 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: A consolidated text of Council Directive 2000/29/EC is available at https://eurlex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?qid=1544635196401&uri=CELEX:02000L0029-20180401 (available in all EU official languages.)
- 10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): March 2019Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.
- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): Application date foreseen August/September 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): 17 February 2019

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