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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>THAILAND</u> If applicable, name of local government involved: -
2. Agency responsible: Food and Drug Administration (Thai FDA)
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): Foods (ICS Code: 67.040)
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 MOPH Notification, B.E..., entitled "Maximum levels for contaminants and toxins in food". Language(s): Thai. Number of pages: 15 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/THA/19_0847_00_x.pdf
6. Description of content: Since contamination and mycotoxins generally may imply a risk to human health and since Codex has established the General Standard for Contaminants and Toxins in Food and Feed (CXS 193-1995), the Ministry of Public Health has amended the maximum level requirements of contaminants and toxins in food as follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) The MOPH will revoke several MOPH notifications regarding the ML requirements as shown in Annex 1 and replace them with the MLs as shown in Annex 2 of this draft notification.2) Annex 2 sets out the maximum levels for certain contaminants including:<ol style="list-style-type: none">a) heavy metals (i.e. arsenic, cadmium, mercury, lead and tin);b) mycotoxins (i.e. aflatoxin, Deoxynivalenol, Fumonisin B1+B2 and Ochratoxin A);c) other contaminants (i.e. hydrocyanic acid, cyclopropenoid fatty acid, melamine, 3-MCPD); andd) radionuclides (i.e. Pu-238, I-129, Cs-137 C-14).3) The methods of analysis for concerned contaminants shall comply with the methods prescribed in Annex 3.4) This draft notification shall not apply to:<ol style="list-style-type: none">a) food additives, processing aid that comply with MOPH notification Re: food additives;b) drinking water in seal container that comply with MOPH notification Re: drinking water in seal container;c) mineral water that comply with MOPH notification Re: mineral water;d) flavouring agents that comply with MOPH notification Re: flavouring agents;e) other foods with maximum levels of contaminants and toxins that have been specifically announced by MOPH.

<p>5) Manufacturers or importers of food shall comply with this draft notification within 180 days from the date of entry into force of this draft notification.</p> <p>6) This draft notification shall come into force from the day following the date of its publication in the Government Gazette.</p>
<p>7. Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input 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>
<p>8. 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): CXS 193-1995</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</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>
<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): On the date after being notified in the Royal Gazette.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 15 April 2019</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>National Bureau of Agricultural Commodity and Food Standards (ACFS) 50 Phaholyothin Road, Ladyao Chatuchak, Bangkok 10900 Thailand Tel: +(662) 561 4024 Fax: +(662) 561 4034 E-mail: spsthailand@gmail.com Website: http://www.acfs.go.th</p>
<p>13. 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>E-mail: spsthailand@gmail.com</p>