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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: CANADA If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Health Canada
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): Steviol glycosides from <i>Stevia rebaudiana</i> Bertoni (ICS Codes: 67.220.20, 67.080.10)
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: Notice of Modification to the <i>List of Permitted Sweeteners</i> to Enable the Use of Steviol Glycosides from <i>Stevia rebaudiana</i> Bertoni in Canned Fruit Products - Reference Number: NOM/ADM-0131. Language(s): English and French. Number of pages: 3 and 4 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/CAN/19_1990_00_e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/CAN/19_1990_00_f.pdf
6. Description of content: Health Canada's Food Directorate completed a detailed safety assessment of two food additive submissions seeking approval for the use of steviol glycosides from <i>Stevia rebaudiana</i> Bertoni in canned fruits products. Steviol glycosides from <i>Stevia rebaudiana</i> Bertoni is already permitted for use in Canada as a sweetener in a variety of unstandardized foods. As no safety concerns were raised through Health Canada's assessment, the Department has enabled the use of steviol glycosides from <i>Stevia rebaudiana</i> Bertoni, as described in the information document below, by modifying the <i>List of Permitted Sweeteners</i> effective 3 April 2019. The purpose of this communication is to publically announce the Department's decision in this regard and to provide the appropriate contact information for any inquiries or for those wishing to submit any new scientific information relevant to the safety of this food additive.
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.
8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):

<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input 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: Health Canada's Food and Nutrition - "Public Involvement and Partnerships" Website, posted 3 April 2019 (available in English and French): https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement-partnerships.html (English) https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public-partenariats.html (French)</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 3 April 2019</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 3 April 2019</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 16 June 2019</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input 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>13. Text(s) available from: <input 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>The "Notice of Modification to the List of Permitted Sweeteners to Enable the Use of Steviol Glycosides from <i>Stevia rebaudiana</i> Bertoni in Canned Fruit Products - Reference Number: NOM/ADM-0131" is available through the following weblink:</p> <p>https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement-partnerships/modification-permitted-sweeteners-steviol-glycosides-stevia-rebaudiana-bertoni-canned-fruit-products.html (English) https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public-partenariats/modification-edulcorants-permettre-glycosides-steviol-stevia-rebaudiana-bertoni-produits-fruits-en-conserve.html (French)</p> <p>Canada's Notification Authority and Enquiry Point Global Affairs Canada Technical Barriers and Regulations Division 111 Sussex Drive, Ottawa, ON K1A 0G2 Canada Tel: +(343) 203 4273 Fax: +(613) 943 0346 E-mail: enquiry@international.gc.ca</p>