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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

Notifying Member: THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, 1. KINMEN AND MATSU If applicable, name of local government involved: 2. Agency responsible: Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine, Council of Agriculture Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national 3. schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Animal/plant regulated articles Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: 4. [X] All trading partners [] Specific regions or countries: 5. Title of the notified document: Draft amendment of the "Regulations for Quarantine of Animal/Plant Regulated Articles Carried by Passengers and Service Personnel on Vehicles or via Mail". Language(s): Chinese. Number of pages: 6 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/TPKM/19 2544 00 x.pdf 6. **Description of content:** The purpose of this amendment is to strength the risk management of animal/plant regulated articles carried by passengers and service personnel on vehicles or via mail. The main content of the amendment of the Regulations is as follows: 1. Animal regulated articles shall not be sent by mail; 2. The regulations for plant regulated articles which are imported via mail will be adjusted and moved to the "Regulations for Quarantine of Plant Regulated Articles Export and Import by Mail". 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 20 [] None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? [X] Yes [] No

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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***):** To be determined.

Proposed 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*): To be determined.
 - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 29 June 2019

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