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## **Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures**

## **NOTIFICATION**

- 1. Notifying Member: REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA
  - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- **2. Agency responsible:** National Food Safety Agency (ANSA)
- 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): Agri-food products
- 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:** Government Decision No. 600 from 27 June 2018 on "Regarding the organization and functioning of the National Food Safety Agency of the Republic of Moldova". **Language(s):** Romanian. **Number of pages:** 23
  - http://lex.justice.md/index.php?action=view&view=doc&lang=1&id=376205
- **Description of content:** This Government Decision approves the Regulation on the organization and functioning of the National Food Safety Agency. The Regulation contains the mission, fields of activity, functions, rights and obligations of the National Food Safety Agency, as well as organization of its activity. Additionally, it stipulated the number of SPS related border inspection posts, which inspect the import of animal, non-animal origin products and live animals.
- 7. Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [X] animal health, [X] plant protection, [X] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [X] 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):
  - [X] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):
    - Terrestrial Animal Health Code, Volume II:
      - o Chaper 8.4 Infection with *Brucella abortus*, *B. melitensis* and *B. suis*
      - o Chapter 8.11 Infection with *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* complex
      - o Chapter 11.6 Enzootic bovine leukosis
      - Section 15 SUIDAE
  - [X] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
    - ISMP 01 Phytosanitary principles for the protection of plants and the application of phytosanitary measures in international trade (<a href="https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/596/">https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/596/</a>)

- ISPM 15 Regulation of wood packaging material in international trade (<a href="https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/640/">https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/640/</a>)
- ISPM 20 Guidelines for a phytosanitary import regulatory system (<a href="https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/602/">https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/602/</a>)
- ISPM 32 Categorization of commodities according to their pest risk (https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/587/)

## [] 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:

The regulation was approved in the context of harmonization of the national legislation with EU *acquis communautaire*, based on the following documents:

- Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2004 on official controls performed to ensure the verification of compliance with feed and food law, animal health and animal welfare rules;
- Council Directive 2000/29/EC of 8 May 2000 on protective measures against the introduction into the Community of organisms harmful to plants or plant products and against their spread within the Community

(available in English).

10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 27 June 2018

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 29 June 2018

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 29 June 2018
  - [X] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 16 July 2019

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:

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