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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: THAILAND
 - If applicable, name of local government involved: -
- **2. Agency responsible:** Department of Agriculture, Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives
- 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): Tomato (Solanum lycopersicum) seeds for sowing (ICS Code: 65.020.20)
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [X] All trading partners
 - [] Specific regions or countries:
- **5. Title of the notified document:** Draft Conditions for Import of Tomato Seeds for Sowing. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 5
 - https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/THA/19 3799 00 e.pdf
- **Description of content:** Draft conditions for import of tomato seeds for sowing into the Kingdom of Thailand. Tomato seed lots are required to fulfill at least one of the following phytosanitary import conditions:
 - 1. Tomato seeds were produced in a pest free area or pest free place of production or pest free production site for *Clavibacter michiganensis* subsp. *michiganensis*, *Pepino mosaic virus*, *Tomato brown rugose fruit virus*, *Potato spindle tuber viroid*, *Tomatoapical stunt viroid*, *Tomato chlorotic dwarf viroid*, *Tomato planta macho viroid* and *Columnea latent viroid*;
 - 2. Tomato seeds were dry heat treated at 80 °C for 72 hours and were officially tested, on sample of 3,000 seeds (or at least 10 percent of the lot as a small seed lot) using an appropriate genetic method and found free from *Tomato brown rugose fruit virus*, *Potato spindle tuber viroid*, *Tomato apical stunt viroid*, *Tomato planta macho viroid* and *Columnea latent viroid*;
 - 3. Tomato seeds were officially tested on sample of 3,000 seeds (or at least ten percent of the lot as a small seed lot) using an appropriate genetic method and found free from Clavibacter michiganensis subsp. michiganensis, Pepino mosaic virus, Tomato brown rugose fruit virus, Potato spindle tuber viroid, Tomato apical stunt viroid, Tomato chlorotic dwarf viroid, Tomato planta macho viroid and Columnea latent viroid.
- 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): International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): [X] ISPM No. 38: International movement of seeds [] 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: 10.
- **Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):** To be determined.

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- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 60 days after being notified under the Official Gazette.
 - Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 6 September 2019

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