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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

- Notifying Member: <u>THAILAND</u>
 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): Capsicum seeds for sowing (Capsicum annuum, Capsicum baccatum, Capsicum chinense, Capsicum frutescens, Capsicum pubescens) (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 Capsicum Seeds for Sowing. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 4

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/THA/19 3797 00 e.pdf

- **6. Description of content:** Draft conditions for import of capsicum seeds for sowing into Thailand. Capsicum seed lots are required to fulfill at least one of the following phytosanitary import conditions:
 - 1. Capsicum seeds were produced in a pest free area or pest free place of production or pest free production site for *Clavibacter michiganensis* subsp. *michiganensis*, *Tomato brown rugose fruit virus*, *Columnea latent viroid* and *Potato spindle tuber viroid*;
 - 2. Capsicum seeds 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 *Clavibacter michiganensis* subsp. *michiganensis*, *Tomato brown rugose fruit virus*. *Columnea latent viroid* and *Potato spindle tuber 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):
 - [X] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): ISPM No.38: International movement of seeds

[] 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:
- **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): 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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