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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> European Commission, Health and Food Safety Directorate-General
<b>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):</b> Food and feed of non-animal origin from certain third countries listed in Annex I
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>All trading partners</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Specific regions or countries:</b> Bolivia, Plurinational State of, Brazil, Cambodia, China, Dominican Republic, Egypt, Ethiopia, The Gambia, Georgia, Ghana, India, Kenya, Lebanese Republic, Madagascar, Malaysia, Nigeria, Pakistan, Senegal, Serbia, Sierra Leone, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, Turkey, Uganda, United States of America, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1249 of 22 July 2019 amending Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 implementing Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the increased level of official controls on imports of certain feed and food of non-animal origin (Text with EEA relevance). <b>Language(s):</b> English, French and Spanish. <b>Number of pages:</b> 8 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/EEC/19_4233_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/EEC/19_4233_00_e.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/EEC/19_4233_00_f.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/EEC/19_4233_00_f.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/EEC/19_4233_00_s.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/EEC/19_4233_00_s.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> This Regulation reviews the list of imports of feed and food of non-animal origin which are subject to an increased level of official controls. The changes to Annex I of Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 concern: the listing of jackfruit ( <i>Artocarpus heterophyllus</i> ) from Malaysia, groundnuts (peanuts) from the United States of America and apricot kernels from Turkey; the increase in the frequency of identity and physical controls to be performed on consignments of tea and goji berries from China and peppers and yardlong beans from the Dominican Republic; the decrease in the frequency of identity and physical controls to be performed on consignments of apricots from Turkey; the modification of the scope of the existing entry concerning turnips ( <i>Brassica rapa spp.</i> Rapa) from Lebanon and from Syria; The modification of the scope of the testing to be performed on goji berries from China to include nicotine.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <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.

<p><b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b></p> <p>Codex Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs) for Pesticides, Codex Maximum Levels (MLs) for contaminants, Codex principles and guidelines for the conduct of microbiological risk assessment, Codex principles and guidelines for the conduct of microbiological risk assessment and Codex general principles of food hygiene.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b> This measure is based on EU MRLs and MLs, some of which being different from Codex MRLs and MLs.</p>
<p><b>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p> <p>Commission Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 of 24 July 2009 implementing Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the increased level of official controls on imports of certain feed and food of non-animal origin and amending Decision 2006/504/EC (OJ L 194, 25.7.2009, p. 11).</p>
<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> 22 July 2019</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> 23 July 2019</p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 26 July 2019</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): not applicable</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input checked="" 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>European Commission  DG Health and Food Safety, Unit D2-Multilateral International Relations  Rue Froissart 101  B-1049 Brussels  Tel: +(32 2) 295 4263  Fax: +(32 2) 299 8090  E-mail: sps@ec.europa.eu</p>
<p><b>13. Text(s) available from:</b> <input checked="" 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>European Commission  DG Health and Food Safety, Unit D2-Multilateral International Relations  Rue Froissart 101  B-1049 Brussels  Tel: +(32 2) 295 4263  Fax: +(32 2) 299 8090  E-mail: sps@ec.europa.eu</p>