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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> Plants, plant products and other objects (HS Chapters: 06 (live plants), 07 (vegetables), 08 (fruits), 10 (cereals), 12 (seeds), 14 (pollen), 44 (wood), 84 (machinery), 87 (vehicles))
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <b>[X] All trading partners</b> <b>[ ] Specific regions or countries:</b>
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Draft Commission Implementing Regulation establishing uniform conditions for the implementation of Regulation (EU) 2016/2031 of the European Parliament and the Council, as regards protective measures against pests of plants, and repealing Commission Regulation (EC) No690/2008 and Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/2019. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 11 + 197 (annexes) <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/EEC/19_4429_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/EEC/19_4429_00_e.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/EEC/19_4429_01_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/EEC/19_4429_01_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The draft Regulation lays down phytosanitary import conditions for plants, plant products and other objects that may pose a phytosanitary risk to the European Union. The draft is based on the current import conditions as laid down in the Council Directive 2000/29/EU, which will be repealed and replaced with the provisions notified herewith, and on the existing plant health rules for marketing of certain seeds and propagating material.  The draft Regulation contains a number of Annexes that establish the list of plants, plant products and other objects (regulated articles) that shall be accompanied by a Phytosanitary Certificate when introduced into the European Union, the EU lists of quarantine pests and regulated non-quarantine pests, the list of protected zones in the European Union and the list of quarantine pests relevant thereto, the list of regulated articles the import of which into the European Union is prohibited and the lists of phytosanitary requirements that imported regulated articles shall comply with when introduced into the European Union or into specific protected zones.  In addition, the draft Regulation also contains several Annexes establishing the rules for the internal movement of regulated articles in the European Union. These Annexes are provided for information and clarity purposes.

<b>7.</b>	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input checked="" 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.
<b>8.</b>	<p><b>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b></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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– ISPM No.4: "Requirements for the establishment of pest free areas"</li> <li>– ISPM No.11: "Pest risk analysis for quarantine pests"</li> <li>– ISPM No.15: "Regulation of wood packaging material in international trade"</li> <li>– ISPM No.16: "Regulated non-quarantine pests: concept and application"</li> <li>– ISPM No.19: "Guidelines on lists of regulated pests"</li> <li>– ISPM No.21: "Pest risk analysis for regulated non quarantine pests"</li> <li>– ISPM No.40: "International movement of growing media in association with plants for planting"</li> <li>– ISPM No.41: "International movement of used vehicles, machinery and equipment"</li> </ul> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b></p>
<b>9.</b>	<p><b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p> <p><u>Regulation (EU) 2016/2031 on protective measures against pests of plants</u> available in all the official languages of the European Union</p> <p><u>Council Directive 2000/29/EC</u> (consolidated version) and its last amendment <u>Commission Implementing Directive (EU) 2019/523</u>, available in all the official languages of the European Union</p> <p><u>EU legislation on marketing requirements for certain seeds and propagating material</u>, available in all the official languages of the European Union.</p>
<b>10.</b>	<p><b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> October 2019</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p>
<b>11.</b>	<p><b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 14 December 2019</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<b>12.</b>	<p><b>Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 11 October 2019</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>

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