



NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

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| 1. | Notifying Member: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA If applicable, name of local government involved: |
| 2. | Agency responsible: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) |
| 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): Tilapia |
| 4. | Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries: |
| 5. | Title of the notified document: Federal Order for US Imports of Live Fish, Fertilized Eggs, and Gametes from Tilapia Lake Virus (TiLV) - Susceptible Species (DA-2019-01, 12 November 2019). Language(s): English. Number of pages: 6 https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/animalhealth/animal-and-animal-product-import-information/live-animal-imports/import-fish |
| 6. | Description of content: APHIS is issuing this Federal Order to prevent the entry or introduction of TiLV into the United States by restricting import shipments of all live fish, fertilized eggs, and gametes from TiLV-susceptible species. This Federal Order, effective 12 December 2019, requires all such commodities to meet the US import requirements outlined in the attached measure, including accompaniment by a USDA import permit, official health certificate, and veterinary inspection. |
| 7. | Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" 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. |
| 8. | Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action: APHIS has determined that the introduction and establishment of TiLV poses a serious threat to US agriculture. Restrictions to prevent the introduction and establishment of the virus are warranted to address the animal health and economic risks associated with imports of live fish, fertilized eggs, and gametes from susceptible species. |
| 9. | Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None |

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| <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p> |
| <p>10. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p> |
| <p>11. Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable): 12 December 2019</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p> |
| <p>12. Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>USDA, APHIS, VS Strategy and Policy - Live Animal Imports 4700 River Road, Unit 39 Riverdale, MD 20737 Tel: +(301) 851 3300, Option 2 E-mail: VS.Live.Animals.Import.Permits@aphis.usda.gov</p> |
| <p>13. Text(s) available from: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/animalhealth/animal-and-animal-product-import-information/live-animal-imports/import-fish</p> |