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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: <u>CHINA</u>
 - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- 2. Agency responsible: National Health and Family Planning Commission of the People's Republic of China (NHFPC)
- 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): Food additive Tea tree oil (*Melaleuca alternifolia*)
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [X] All trading partners
 - [] Specific regions or countries:
- Title of the notified document: National Food Safety Standard of the P.R.C.: Food Additive Tea tree oil (*Melaleuca alternifolia*) Language(s): Chinese Number of pages: 4

http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2015/SPS/CHN/15_3395_00_x.pdf

- 6. **Description of content:** This standard applies to food additive tea tree oil obtained from the foliage and terminal branchlets of *Melaleuca alternifolia*. It specifies the technical requirements and testing methods for tea tree oil (*Melaleuca alternifolia*).
- Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [] animal health, [] 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] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

[]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: None

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*): To be determined.
 - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 3 November 2015

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