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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u>
 - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- 2. Agency responsible: European Commission, Health and Food Safety Directorate-General
- 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): products of animal origin for human consumption
- 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: Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/2098 of 28 November 2019 on temporary animal health requirements for consignments of products of animal origin for human consumption originating in and returning to the Union following a refusal of entry by a third country (Text with EEA relevance). Language(s): English, French, Spanish . Number of pages: 4

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6. **Description of content:** The Commission implementing Decision lays down temporary animal health requirements for consignments of products of animal origin for human consumption originating from and returning to the Union following refusal of entry by third country. It aims to ensure that unloading, storage and re-loading of these products in third countries would not lead to risks for the spread and introduction into the Union of pathogens of certain listed animal diseases. It does not lay down import requirements for products of animal origin for human consumption, which were produced in and by third countries themselves.

The animal health requirements in the Decision are close to, and largely replace in more specific terms, already existing requirements (which are more general and which are repealed as from 14 December 2019 by Regulation (EU) 2017/625 of the European Parliament and of the Council). The Decision is temporary in its nature bridging only the period from 14 December 2019 until 21 April 2021. From 21 April 2021 new animal health requirements for live animals and certain products of animal origin originating from and returning to the Union following refusal of entry by third country will be applicable. Those are laid down as part of a Commission Delegated Regulation supplementing Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of Council as regards rules for the entry into the Union, movement and handling after the entry of certain animals, germinal products and products of animal origin from third countries or territories. That Delegated Regulation was notified earlier as G/SPS/N/EU/329.

- 7. Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [X] 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:

Proposed date of adoption (*dd/mm/yy*): 28 November 2019 Proposed date of publication (*dd/mm/yy*): 9 December 2019

- **11.** Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 9 December 2019 Date of application : from 14/12/19 to 20 April 2021
 - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): Not applicable

Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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13. Text(s) available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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