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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>SRI LANKA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Food Control Administration Unit, Ministry of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine
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 products
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: ☒ All trading partners ☐ Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Draft Food (Meat and Meat Products) Regulations 2020. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 16 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/LKA/20_0161_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: These regulations set out several requirements for meat and meat products such as Fresh meat, Lean meat, Chilled meat, Frozen meat, Minced meat or Ground meat, Ham, Bacon, Commminute meat Products, Frozen Formed Meat Products, Cured and Smoked meat, Canned meat. According to these regulations: • all meat shall be sound and fit for human consumption and shall be obtained from healthy animals of permitted species. • fresh meat shall be the edible part of the skeletal muscle of an animal or bird that is normally used for human consumption and that was healthy at the time of slaughter. It may contain accompanying and overlying fat together with portions of bone, sinew, nerve and blood vessels that normally accompany the muscle tissue and are not separated from it in the process of dressing. It may be accompanied by edible organs. These regulations prescribe: • the storing conditions of certain types of meat products and • heavy metal levels and microbiological limits for each type of meat and meat product. Meat products in Part II to Part VII shall be labelled according to the provisions of the Food (Labelling and Advertising) Regulations-2005 published in Gazette Extraordinary No. 1376/9 of 19 January 2005 as amended from time to time or replaced. Meat products given in Part II to Part VII shall be packaged in accordance with the Food (Packaging Materials and Articles) Regulations 2010 published in Gazette Extraordinary No. 1660/30 of 29 June 2010 as amended from time to time or replaced.

Meat products given in Part II to Part VII may contain colouring substances in accordance with the Food (Colouring substances) Regulations 2005 published in Gazette Extraordinary No. 1412/19 of 23 November 2006 as amended from time to time or replaced. Meat products given in Part II to Part VI may contain antioxidants in accordance with the Food (Antioxidants) Regulations 2009 published in Gazette Extraordinary No. 1617/16 of 1 September 2009 as amended from time to time or replaced. Meat products given in Part II to Part VII may contain preservatives in accordance with the Food (Preservatives) Regulations 2018 published in Gazette Extraordinary No. 2113/16 of 5 March 2019 as amended from time to time or replaced. Meat products given in Part II to Part VII may contain natural flavouring substances in accordance with the Food (Flavouring Substances and Flavour enhancers) Regulations 2013 published in Gazette Extraordinary No. 1795/51 of 1 February 2013 as amended from time to time or replaced. According to the regulation no. 10(6); the food additives given in Schedule I may be permitted in ham within the limits specified. According to the regulation no. 11(6); the food additives given in Schedule II may be permitted in Bacon within the limits specified. According to the regulation no. 12(8); the food additives given in Schedule III may be permitted in Comminuted meat product within the limits specified. According to the regulation no. 15(6); the food additives given in Schedule III may be permitted in Canned "X" meat product within the limits specified.
7. Objective and rationale: ☒ 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): CXS 89-1981, CXS 96-1981, CXS 98-1981 ☐ World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): ☐ International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): ☐ 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:
10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 20 March 2020 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): ☐ Trade facilitating measure

12. Final date for comments: ☒ Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 9 March 2020

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