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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, received on 24 March 2020, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of Switzerland.

Ordinance of the Federal Department of Economic Affairs, Education and Research (DEFR) and the Federal Office for the Environment, Transport, Energy and Communications (DETEC) on plant health

Several annexes to the Ordinance containing trade-related provisions will be amended with effect from 1 August 2020 in accordance with the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072 of 28 November 2019. The majority of these changes are formal and linguistic adaptations to the corresponding annexes of the EU regulation. The list of priority quarantine pests (regulated in Annex 1) will be amended with effect from 1 January 2021 to include the priority quarantine pests defined in the EU in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/1702. Plant health is part of the bilateral agreement on trade in agricultural products between Switzerland and the European Union (EU) of 21 June 1999, which entered into force on 1 June 2002. In order to ensure the free movement of goods with the EU, equivalent phytosanitary regulations must apply in Switzerland.

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/CHE/20_2128_00_x1.pdf

This addendum concerns a:

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