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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1. Notifying Member: <u>THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU,</u> <u>KINMEN AND MATSU</u>

If applicable, name of local government involved:

- 2. Agency responsible: Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine, Council of Agriculture
- 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): Plants or plant products
- 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: The amendment Paragraph 10, Part B of the "Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of Plants or Plant Products".
 Language(s): English. Number of pages: 1

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/TPKM/20 2155 00 e.pdf

- **6. Description of content:** *Dociostaurus maroccanus, Locusta migratoria, Nomadacris septemfasciata, Schistocerca gregaria,* and *Zonocerus elegans* are added to the regulated pest list. Importation of plants or plant products shall be subjected to appropriate quarantine treatment for mitigating regulated pests if they are intercepted. If there is no appropriate quarantine treatment for the pest, the importing plants or plant products shall be destroyed or re-shipped.
- Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [] animal health, [X] plant protection,
 [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [X] protect territory from other damage from pests.
- 8. Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action: Dociostaurus maroccanus, Locusta migratoria, Nomadacris septemfasciata, Schistocerca gregaria, and Zonocerus elegans are absent in the Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu. In addition, they have broad range of hosts and cause crop loss worldwide. Urgent action is needed to prevent their invasion through the importation of plants or plant products.
- 9. 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):

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[X] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): ISPM NO.2 and 11

[] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

[X] Yes [] No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

- **10.** Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: The "Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of Plants or Plant Products " (Council of Agriculture Announcement, Nong Shou Fang Zi No. 1091493146A dated 12 March 2020) can be found at: <u>http://www.coa.gov.tw/</u>. (available in Chinese)
- **11.** Date of entry into force (*dd/mm/yy*)/period of application (as applicable): 12 March 2020
 - [] Trade facilitating measure

12. 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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