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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

## Original: English

## NOTIFICATION

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

If applicable, name of local government involved:

- 2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Health and Welfare
- 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
- 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: Draft Sanitation Standard for Microorganisms in Foods.
  Language(s): Chinese and English. Number of pages: 20

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- **6. Description of content:** To amend or establish some limits for food microorganisms and their toxins or metabolites. (second notice)
- 7. 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: Draft Sanitation Standard for Microorganisms in Foods (MOHW Food No.1091300314; 23 April 2020) is available in English from the National Notification Authority, National Enquiry Point, and Ministry of Health and Welfare. The standards will be published in the Official Government Gazette when adopted. The full text may be downloaded from the following website: http://www.fda.gov.tw/eng/index.aspx (available in Chinese) 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): 22 June 2020 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National Notification Authority, [] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Food and Drug Administration Ministry of Health and Welfare No.161-2, Kunyang St, Nangang District, Taipei City 115-61, Taiwan Tel: +(8862) 27878000 ext 7317 Fax: +(8862) 26531062 E-mail: katty@fda.gov.tw 13. Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Food and Drug Administration Ministry of Health and Welfare

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