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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>TURKEY</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: The Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry - General Directorate of Food and Control
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): All plant and plant products
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Change on the Water Mark of Plant Health Certificate and Re-export Plant Health Certificate of Turkey. Language(s): English. Number of pages: https://www.tarimorman.gov.tr/Konu/1963/Yeni_Logolu_BSS
6. Description of content: The image of the watermark used in the Plant Health Certificate and Re-export Plant Health Certificate designated for plant and plant products exported from Turkey has been changed. Technical specifications and information about the image of the watermark have been published on " https://www.tarimorman.gov.tr/Konu/1963/Yeni_Logolu_BSS " website. The usage of new watermarked Plant Health Certificate and Re-Export Plant Health Certificates will begin as of 1 of August 2020. However, the certificates printed with old watermark which are on the stock of the Provincial Directorates of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry shall remain valid until 31 of December 2021. After 31 December 2021, only new watermarked Plant Health Certificate and Re-export Plant Health Certificate will be valid and the validity of the certificates with old watermark will expire.
7. Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.

<p>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: The change on the plant health certificate and re-export plant health certificate of Turkey will also be circulated to the Members as GEN documents in both SPS and TBT Committees.</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable.</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 August 2020</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure The certificates printed with old watermark shall remain valid until 31 of December 2021. After 31 December 2021, only new watermarked Plant Health Certificate and Re-export Plant Health Certificate will be valid and, the validity of the certificates with old watermark will expire.</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry General Directorate of Food and Control Eskisehir Yolu 9. Km. Lodumlu Ankara - Turkey Tel: +(90 312) 258 7752 Fax: +(90 312) 258 7760 E-mail: sps@tarimorman.gov.tr Website: http://www.tarimorman.gov.tr</p>
<p>13. Text(s) available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry General Directorate of Food and Control Eskisehir Yolu 9. Km. Lodumlu Ankara - Turkey Tel: +(90 312) 258 7752 Fax: +(90 312) 258 7760 E-mail: sps@tarimorman.gov.tr Website: http://www.tarimorman.gov.tr</p>