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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>MOROCCO</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: <i>Office national de sécurité sanitaire des produits alimentaires, ONSSA - Direction de l'évaluation des risques et des affaires juridiques</i> (National Office for Food Safety - Directorate of Risk Assessment and Legal Affairs)
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): Live animals and animal products, plants and plant products and all food products and animal feed, additives, agricultural inputs, pesticides, and veterinary drugs and 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: <i>Projet d'Arrêté relatif aux méthodes et techniques de contrôle de la conformité des produits primaires, des produits alimentaires et des aliments pour animaux à l'importation</i> (Draft Order on conformity control methods and techniques for imported primary products, food products and animal feed) Language(s): French Number of pages: 5
6.	Description of content: The notified text establishes the conformity control methods and techniques to be employed at the borders on imported primary products, food products and animal feed. Controls on imported goods must be performed prior to customs clearance on the basis of documents submitted by the importer or his authorized representative. Border controls on imported goods involve: 1) documentation checks; 2) identity checks; and 3) physical checks. The notified text details the control procedures. Where goods are refused clearance, the importer or his duly authorized representative may submit a reasoned appeal within eight days of the date of notification of refusal of clearance. The importer or his representative may remove the goods before obtaining the results of the analyses. The importer is responsible for storing the goods, secured by an official customs seal, at premises approved by the National Office for Food Safety (ONSSA) while awaiting the results of the analyses.
7.	Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests

8.	<p>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 Organisation 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>
9.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
10.	<p>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable</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 email address (if available) of other body:</p>
13.	Text(s) available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and email address (if available) of other body: