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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

<p>1. Notifying Member: <u>GUATEMALA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:</p>
<p>2. Agency responsible: <i>Ministerio de Agricultura, Ganadería y Alimentación, MAGA</i> (Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Food), <i>Dirección de Sanidad Vegetal</i> (Directorate of Plant Health)</p>
<p>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): Central American Tariff System (SAC), Section on vegetable products, Chapter 6: Live trees and other plants; bulbs, roots and the like; cut flowers and ornamental foliage; Chapter 7: Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers; Chapter 8: Edible fruit and nuts; Chapter 9: Coffee, tea, maté and spices; Chapter 10: Cereals; Chapter 11: Products of the milling industry; Chapter 12: Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits; and Chapter 14: Vegetable plaiting materials; vegetable products not elsewhere specified or included</p>
<p>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:</p>
<p>5. Title of the notified document: <i>Acuerdo Ministerial 491-2015. Acuérdese establecer el listado de plagas reglamentadas y disposiciones para determinar requisitos fitosanitarios de importación aplicables a envíos de origen vegetal, que se pretendan importar por primera vez al territorio nacional</i> (Ministerial Decision No. 491-2015 establishing the list of regulated pests and the provisions governing the establishment of the phytosanitary import requirements applicable to consignments of products of plant origin imported into national territory for the first time) Language(s): Spanish Number of pages: 16</p>
<p>6. Description of content: The notified Ministerial Decision establishes the updated list of the pests not found in Guatemala and of the pests present and subject to official control in the country. It also sets out the conditions and procedures for requesting the establishment of phytosanitary requirements for first-time imports into Guatemala of products of plant origin and the related risk analysis study.</p>
<p>7. Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.</p>

<p>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (<i>e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text</i>)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) (<i>e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number</i>)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (<i>e.g. ISPM number</i>) International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM) No. 19, Guidelines on Lists of Regulated Pests</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input checked="" 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:</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 4 November 2015</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 3 November 2015</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 13 November 2015</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</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): Not applicable. There is no comment period given that the Decision is already in force.</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p>
<p>13. Text(s) available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Dirección de Sanidad Vegetal Ministerio de Agricultura, Ganadería y Alimentación 7 av. 12-90, zona 13 Edificio Anexo a Monja Blanca Guatemala, Guatemala Tel.: (+502) 2413-7385 / (+502) 2413-7318 E-mail: gortiz@maga.gob.gt sramos@maga.gob.gt Website: http://portal2.maga.gob.gt/unr_normativas/normativas.php http://visar.maga.gob.gt/?page_id=56</p>