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NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

Addendum

The following communication, received on 27 August 2020, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of Australia.

Notification of emergency measures for Khapra beetle.

On 4 August 2020, Australia issued a SPS notification (G/SPS/N/AUS/502) informing trading partners of its intention to implement emergency measures to high-risk plant products that are hosts of khapra beetle (*Trogoderma granarium*) to safeguard Australia against the entry, establishment and spread of this pest.

Australia has now commenced Phase 1 of the emergency measures. From 3 September 2020, high-risk plant products (in various raw and processed forms for any end use) will not be permitted entry from any country into Australia within unaccompanied personal effects (UPEs), or within low value air and sea freight (lodged through self-assessed clearance (SAC)), but excluding goods imported as commercial trade samples or for research purposes.

Failure to comply with the emergency measures will result in export or destruction of the goods upon arrival in Australia.

High-risk plant products within UPEs or imported as low value air and sea freight (SAC) that have not been inspected and released prior to 3 September 2020 will not be permitted entry into Australia. High-risk plant products found in consignments on inspection will be exported or destroyed.

Further information on Phase 1 of the emergency measures is outlined in the Biosecurity Import Conditions system (BICON) on the Australia's Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment website: <https://bicon.agriculture.gov.au/BiconWeb4.0/Home/Notice/>

Addendums to this SPS notification will be published to notify the measures and implementation dates for subsequent phases. Specific details regarding the measures will be outlined in BICON on the Australia's Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment website prior to the implementation date.

High-risk plant products

The emergency measures will be applied to the following plant products (in various raw and physically-processed forms for any end use), which have been identified as high-risk:

Rice (*Oryza sativa*); Chickpeas (*Cicer arietinum*); Cucurbit seed (*Cucurbita* spp.; *Cucumis* spp.; *Citrullus* spp.); Cumin seed (*Cuminum cyminum*); Safflower seed (*Carthamus tinctorius*); Bean seed (*Phaseolus* spp.); Soybean (*Glycine max*); Mung beans, cowpeas (*Vigna* spp.); Lentils (*Lens culinaris*); Wheat (*Triticum aestivum*); Coriander seed (*Coriandrum sativum*); Celery seed (*Apium graveolens*); Peanuts (*Arachis hypogaea*); Dried chillies/capsicum (*Capsicum* spp.); Faba bean (*Vicia faba*); Pigeon Pea (*Cajanus cajan*); Pea seed (*Pisum sativum*); Fennel seed

(*Foeniculum* spp.) The following exclusions apply: goods that are thermally processed that are commercially manufactured and packaged such as retorted, blanched, roasted, fried, boiled, puffed, malted or pasteurised goods, fresh vegetables, and commercially manufactured frozen food and frozen plant products or oils derived from vegetables or seed.

This addendum concerns a:

- Modification of final date for comments
- Modification of content and/or scope of previously notified regulation
- Withdrawal of regulation
- Change in period of application of measure
- Other: Additional information on the implementation of Phase 1 of emergency measures.

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