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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>CANADA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Health Canada
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 additives to human milk fortifier (ICS Codes: 67.220.20 57.230)
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
	[X] All trading partners
] Specific regions or countries:
5.	Fitle of the notified document: Notice of Modification to the Lists of Permitted Food Additives to Extend the Use of Certain Food Additives to Human Milk Fortifier _anguage(s): English and French. Number of pages: 4
	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/CAN/21_2743_00_e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/CAN/21_2743_00_f.pdf
6.	Description of content: Health Canada's Food Directorate completed safety assessments of carrageenan, gellan gum, lecithin, monoglycerides, potassium citrate potassium hydroxide, and sodium citrate for use in human milk fortifier (HMF).
	The results of these assessments support the safety of these food additives for use in HMF. Consequently, Health Canada has enabled their use as described in the information document by modifying the <i>List of Permitted Emulsifying, Gelling, Stabilizing o Thickening Agents</i> and the <i>List of Permitted pH Adjusting Agents, Acid-Reacting Materials</i> and Water Correcting Agents, effective 14 April 2021.
	The purpose of this communication is to publically announce the Department's decision n this regard and to provide the appropriate contact information for inquiries or for those vishing to submit new scientific information relevant to the safety of these food additives
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 Aquation Animal Health Code, chapter number):
] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):

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[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: Health Canada's Food and Nutrition - "Public Involvement and Partnerships" Website, posted 14 April 2021 (available in English and French): <u>https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvementpartnerships.html</u> <u>https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-publicpartenariats.html</u>
- **10.** Proposed date of adoption (*dd/mm/yy*): 14 April 2021

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 14 April 2021
 - [] Trade facilitating measure
- **12.** Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 14 May 2021

Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

13. Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

The "Notice of Modification to the Lists of Permitted Food Additives to Extend the Use of Certain Food Additives to Human Milk Fortifier - Reference Number: NOM/ADM-0164" is available through the following web links: https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement-

https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvementpartnerships/notice-modification-permitted-food-additives-human-milk-fortifier.html (English)

https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-publicpartenariats/avis-modification-additifs-alimentaires-autorises-fortifiant-lait-humain.html (French)

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