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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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#### NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u>
  - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- 2. Agency responsible: European Commission, Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety
- 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): HS Code(s): 070490, 070810, 070820, 070960, 070930, 070940, 070990, 071022, 071080, 080550, 080211, 080212, 080250, 080620, 081010, 081090, 081120, 081310, 0902, 110630, 1202, 120740, 121190, 151110, 151190, 200811, 200850, 200899, 3507
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
  - [] All trading partners
  - [X] Specific regions or countries: Afghanistan, Australia, Cambodia, China, Dominican Republic, Egypt, The Gambia, Ghana, India, Kenya, Madagascar, Serbia, Sierra Leone, Sudan, Thailand, Turkey, United States of America, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam
- 5. Title of the notified document: Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/443 of 23 March 2016 amending Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 as regards the list of feed and food of non-animal origin subject to an increased level of official controls on imports (Text with EEA relevance) Language(s): English, French and Spanish Number of pages: 7

http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/SPS/EEC/16\_1403\_00\_e.pdf http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/SPS/EEC/16\_1403\_00\_f.pdf http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/SPS/EEC/16\_1403\_00\_s.pdf

- 6. Description of content: The Regulation reviews the list of imports of feed and food of non-animal origin which are subject to an increased level of official controls. The changes concern: the de-listing of aubergines and bitter melon from the Dominican Republic; the listing of palm oil from Ghana, groundnuts and derived products from Madagascar and lemons from Turkey.
- 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 Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)

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# [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number)

# [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: Commission Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 of 24 July 2009 implementing Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the increased level of official controls on imports of certain feed and food of non-animal origin and amending Decision 2006/504/EC (OJ L 194, 25 July 2009, p. 11) (available in English, French and Spanish)
- 10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 23 March 2016

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 24 March 2016

11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 April 2016

[] Trade facilitating measure

12. Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): Not applicable

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

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