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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

Notifying Member: **EUROPEAN UNION**

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NOTIFICATION

Revision1

- If applicable, name of local government involved:
- **2. Agency responsible:** European Commission, Health and Food Safety Directorate-General
- 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): Cereals (HS Codes: 1001, 1002, 1003, 1004, 1005, 1006, 1007, 1008), foodstuffs of animal origin (HS Codes: 0201, 0202, 0203, 0204, 0205, 0206, 0207, 0208, 0209, 0210) and certain products of plant origin, including fruit and vegetables
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [X] All trading partners
 - [] Specific regions or countries:
- **Title of the notified document:** Draft Commission Regulation (EU) amending Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for chlordecone in or on certain products (Text with EEA relevance). **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 10

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- **6. Description of content:** The proposed draft Regulation concerns the review of the existing maximum residue levels (MRLs) for the substance chlordecone. MRLs for this substance are lowered. Lower MRLs are set to reflect the current monitoring data on the occurrence of chlordecone in the European Union due to the use of this persistent compound in the past.
- 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 Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):

¹ This revision contains the information notified in <u>G/SPS/N/EU/398/Corr.1</u>, circulated in English only, on 20 July 2020. The French and Spanish versions of <u>G/SPS/N/EU/398</u> have not been modified in this revision.

[]	International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
[X]	None
Does t	this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?
[] Yes	5 []No
-	describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the ational standard:

- 9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
 - "Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 February 2005 on maximum residue levels of pesticides in or on food and feed of plant and animal origin and amending Council Directive 91/414/EEC" http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=CELEX%3A32005R0396
 - "Statement on the dietary exposure assessment for the temporary maximum residue levels for chlordecone in certain products of animal origin (EFSA, 2020)" https://efsa.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.2903/j.efsa.2020.6052

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- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): August 2021
 - [] 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

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