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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, 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):
 - a) Fruits of Capsicum, Momordica L., Solanum aethiopicum L., Solanum macrocarpon L. and Solanum melongena L.;
 - b) Plants of *Zea mays* L., with the exception of live pollen, plant tissue cultures, seeds and grains
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [X] All trading partners
 - [] Specific regions or countries:
- 5. Title of the notified document: Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2021/869 of 27 May 2021 amending Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/638 as regards its date of expiration in order to prolong the measures to prevent the introduction into and the spread within the Union territory of the pest *Spodoptera frugiperda* (Smith). Language(s): English, French and Spanish. Number of pages: 2

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6. Description of content: The existing emergency import requirements in relation to *Spodoptera frugiperda* (Smith), (stipulated in Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/638), are prolonged until 30 June 2023.

The prolongation of the existing measures is due to the continuing fast spread of the pest worldwide and towards the Union territory.

- 7. Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [] animal health, [X] 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):

[X] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): ISPM No. 1, 4, 5, 7, 12, 29

[] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

[X] 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:

10. Proposed date of adoption (*dd/mm/yy*): 27 May 2021

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 31 May 2021

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

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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