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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

1.	<b>Notifying Member:</b> <u>SOUTH AFRICA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development
3.	<b>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):</b> Agricultural remedies commonly known as pesticides
4.	<b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> Amendment of the agricultural remedies regulations. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 30 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/ZAF/21_4519_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/ZAF/21_4519_00_e.pdf</a>
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> The amendment concerns making provisions for the Globally Harmonized System (GHS) of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals; introduction of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development principles of Good Laboratory Practice (OECD GLP); prohibition of registration and use of active ingredients and their formulation that meet criteria 1A of the GHS, relating to carcinogenicity, mutagenicity and reproductive toxin, as well as active ingredients listed in Annexes A and B of the Stockholm Convention, and those meeting all criteria in paragraph 1 of Annex D. The amendment also makes provision for record-keeping of the agricultural remedies quantity sold.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	<b>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b>

<b>9.</b>	<b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> Pesticide Management Policy for South Africa <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/ZAF/21_4519_01_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/ZAF/21_4519_01_e.pdf</a> (available in English)
<b>0.</b>	<b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> After all comments are taken into consideration.  <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> After all comments are taken into consideration.
<b>11.</b>	<b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):  <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure
<b>12.</b>	<b>Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 5 September 2021  <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:  Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development Private Bag X343, Pretoria, 0001 20 Steve Biko Street Tel: +(27 12) 319 7303 E-mail: MalutaM@Dalrrd.gov.za
<b>13.</b>	<b>Text(s) available from:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:  Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development Private Bag X343, Pretoria, 0001 20 Steve Biko Street Tel: +(27 12) 319 7303 E-mail: MalutaM@Dalrrd.gov.za