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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1. Notifying Member: <u>THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine, Council of Agriculture
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): Plants or plant products
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: The amendment of Paragraph 10, Part B of the "Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of Plants or Plant Products". Language(s): English. Number of pages: 1 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/TPKM/21_5470_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: <i>Muhlenbergia capillaris</i> and <i>Muhlenbergia reverchonii</i> are added to the regulated pest list. Importation of plants or plant products shall be free from <i>Muhlenbergia capillaris</i> and <i>Muhlenbergia reverchonii</i> . In addition, they are prohibited to be imported.
7. Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8. Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action: According to the result of pest risk assessment, <i>Muhlenbergia capillaris</i> and <i>Muhlenbergia reverchonii</i> have high invasive potential and could be harmful to ecology. The emergency measures aim to prevent the introduction of the invasive plants. Urgent actions are needed to prevent their invasion through the importation of plants or plant products.
9. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): ISPM No. 2 and 11 <input type="checkbox"/> None

<p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>	
10.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
11.	<p>Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable): 20 August 2021</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <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:</p> <p>Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine, Council of Agriculture 9F, No.100, Sec. 2, Heping W. Rd., Zhongzheng Dist., Taipei City, 100060, Taiwan Tel: +(886) 2 3343 2091 Fax: +(886) 2 2332 2200 E-mail: wtosps@mail.baphiq.gov.tw</p>
13.	<p>Text(s) available from: <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:</p> <p>Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine, Council of Agriculture 9F, No.100, Sec. 2, Heping W. Rd., Zhongzheng Dist., Taipei City, 100060, Taiwan Tel: +(886) 2 3343 2091 Fax: +(886) 2 2332 2200 E-mail: wtosps@mail.baphiq.gov.tw</p>