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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1. Notifying Member: <u>DENMARK</u> If applicable, name of local government involved: Ministry for Food, Agriculture and Fisheries
2. Agency responsible: Danish Veterinary and Food Administration (DVFA)
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): Live animals (HS Code: 01), Animal husbandry and Breeding (ICS Code: 65.020.30)
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: Lov om ændring af lov om aflivning af og midlertidigt forbud mod hold af mink. Language(s): Danish. Number of pages: 1 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/DNK/22_0289_00_x.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/DNK/22_0289_01_x.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/DNK/22_0289_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: The law concerns the continuation of a temporary ban on keeping mink in Denmark. It amends the date for upholding the ban from 31 December 2021 to 31 December 2022.
7. Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input 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. Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action: The purpose of the law is to protect human health from the spread of COVID-19 from mink. The law accords with the statements from Statens Serum Institut (SSI) (updated) risk assessment from 28 September 2021 that keeping of mink in Denmark after year 2021 may result in a health risk for humans of an unknown dimension/magnitude.
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 type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None

<p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input 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.	<p>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The (existing) law on culling of mink and temporary ban on keeping Mink (available in Danish) - The notification of the law to WTO (TBT) in 2020 (available in English)
11.	<p>Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable): 1 January 2022</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" 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>European Commission DG Health and Food Safety, Unit D2-Multilateral International Relations Rue Froissart 101 B-1049 Brussels Tel: +(32 2) 29 54263 Fax: +(32 2) 29 98090 E-mail: sps@ec.europa.eu</p>
13.	<p>Text(s) available from: <input checked="" 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>European Commission DG Health and Food Safety, Unit D2-Multilateral International Relations Rue Froissart 101 B-1049 Brussels Tel: +(32 2) 29 54263 Fax: +(32 2) 29 98090 E-mail: sps@ec.europa.eu</p>