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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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): HS Codes: 1106, 1207, 1208, 1211, 1515, 2007, 2103, 2106, 2305, 2836, 12024, 12129, 13023, 20081, 100610, 100620, 100630, 190230, 200599, 200897, 200899, 253090, 391290, 0710, 0801, 0805, 0813, 070960, 07099, 0905, 0906, 0907, 0908, 0910, 08022, 08025, 081090, 09042, 09093, 08071
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [] All trading partners
 - [X] Specific regions or countries: Argentina; Azerbaijan; Brazil, Bolivia, Plurinational State of; China; Dominican Republic; Egypt; The Gambia; Honduras; India; Madagascar; Malaysia; Mexico; Morocco; Pakistan; Senegal; Sri Lanka; Korea, Republic of; Sudan; Turkey; Viet Nam; Uganda; United States of America
- 5. Title of the notified document: Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/2246 of 15 December 2021 amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1793 on the temporary increase of official controls and emergency measures governing the entry into the Union of certain goods from certain third countries implementing Regulations (EU) 2017/625 and (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council (Text with EEA relevance). Language(s): English, Spanish, French. Number of pages: 30

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6. Description of content: Regulation (EU) 2019/1793 lays down rules concerning the temporary increase of official controls upon entry into the Union on certain food and feed of non-animal origin from certain third countries (in Annex I); special import conditions for certain food and feed from certain third countries due to the contamination risk by mycotoxins, including aflatoxins, pesticide residues, pentachlorophenol and dioxins and microbiological contamination (in Annex II - increased official border controls and official certificate accompanied by the results of sampling and analysis in the third country).

This Implementing Regulation amends Annexes I and II to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1793 by introducing the following changes:

- Transfer from Anne I to Annex II of black pepper from Brazil, aubergines, peppers other than sweet and yardlong beans from Dominican Republic and mandarins and oranges from Turkey;
- Transfer from Annex II to Annex I of groundnuts and products produced from ground nuts from Argentina and hazelnuts and products produced from hazelnuts from Azerbaijan;

- Deletion from Annex I of hazelnuts and products produced from hazelnuts Turkey;
- Decrease in the frequency of identity and physical checks laid down in Annex I for sweet peppers from China;
- Increase in the frequency of identity and physical checks laid down in Annex II for peppers of the genus capsicum from India and pitahaya from Viet Nam;
- Amending to the entry for the countries listed in Annex I and Annex II concerning groundnuts with adding groundnuts paste; Inclusion in Annex I Galia melons from Honduras, drumsticks (moringa oleifera) from India, rice from India and Pakistan, gotukola and mukunuwenna from Sri Lanka, and grapefruits, cumin seeds and dried oregano from Turkey;
- Inclusion in Annex I locust beans (carob), mucilages and thickeners, whether or not modified, derived from locust beans and locust bean seeds from Morocco, tomato ketchup and other tomato sauces from Mexico and pepper of genus Capsicum (other than sweet) from Uganda;
- Inclusion in Annex II xantan gum from China; locust beans (including mucilages and thickeners derived from locust beans), Guar gum, several spices, Calcium carbonate and food supplements containing botanicals from India, food supplements containing botanicals and instant noodles from South Korea, locust beans (including mucilages and thickeners derived from locust beans) from Malaysia and Turkey and instant noodles from Viet Nam;
- Deleted requirement for laboratory checks for possible contamination with pesticides for Sesamum seeds from India.

In addition, this Implementing Regulation amends Article 14 of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1793, in particular the transitional period.

- 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):
 - [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
 - [X] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

[] 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: Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1793 of 22 October 2019 on the temporary increase of official controls and emergency measures governing the entry into the Union of certain goods from certain third countries implementing Regulations (EU) 2017/625 and (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Commission Regulations (EC) No 669/2009, (EU) No 884/2014, (EU) 2015/175, (EU) 2017/186 and (EU) 2018/1660 (Text with EEA relevance.)

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10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 15 December 2021Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 17 December 2021

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 6 January 2022
 - [] 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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