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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

## NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: EUROPEAN UNION
  - 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): Hatching eggs of poultry other than ratites, hatching eggs of ratites and racing pigeons immediately released after entry into the EU.
- 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 Regulation (EU) 2022/37 of 12 January 2022 amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/403 as regards model animal health certificates and model animal health/official certificates, for the entry into the Union and movements between Member States of consignments of certain species and categories of poultry and captive birds and germinal products thereof (Text with EEA relevance). Language(s): English, Spanish, French. Number of pages: 34

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6. **Description of content:** The Regulation amends two existing import certificates (hatching eggs of poultry other than ratites and hatching eggs of ratites). The amendment provides flexibility for the competent authority of the exporting country as regards the moment when the clinical inspection of the flock of origin must take place prior to the loading of the hatching eggs for dispatch to the EU.

The Regulation also provides for a new certificate for racing pigeons immediately released after entry into the EU. This new certificate facilitates the import of these type of captive birds when they are going to be immediately released after the entry into the EU.

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

[X]	World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):
	Terrestrial Animal Health Code: Chapter 10.4, Chapter 10.5; Chapter 10.7 and Chapter 10.9
[]	International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):

[] 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*): 12 January 2022

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 13 January 2022

**11. Proposed date of entry into force:** [] **Six months from date of publication**, **and/or (***dd/mm/yy***):** This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following that of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.

[X] 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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#### 13. Text(s) available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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