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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> European Commission, Health and Food Safety Directorate-General
<b>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):</b> All food
<b>4. 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:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Draft Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) on uniform practical arrangements for the performance of official controls as regards contaminants in food, on specific additional content of multi-annual national control plans and specific additional arrangements for their preparation (Text with EEA relevance). <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 8+6 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/EU/22_1374_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/EU/22_1374_00_e.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/EU/22_1374_01_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/EU/22_1374_01_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Official controls must be performed by the competent authorities regularly, on a risk basis and with appropriate frequency. Therefore, this implementing act sets out the general requirements of content of the national control plans for contaminants, while leaving the risk-based design up to the Member States in line with the general approach of Regulation (EU) 2017/625. These plans substitute the control plans according to repealed Council Directive 96/23/EC. This Regulation is interlinked with the Commission Delegated Regulation which sets out specific requirements such as sampling frequency, range of samples and stage of production, processing and distribution where the samples are to be taken and criteria to be taken into account for the design of the control plans
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input 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.
<b>8. 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):

<p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b>  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b></p>
<p><b>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b>  Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) supplementing Regulation (EU) 2017/625 of the European Parliament and of the Council by laying down rules for the performance of official controls as regards contaminants in food (available in English)</p>
<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> Estimated June 2022.  <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> Estimated June 2022.</p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 January 2023  <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 8 April 2022</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. <b>Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>European Commission  DG Health and Food Safety, Unit D2-Multilateral International Relations  Rue Froissart 101  B-1049 Brussels  Tel: +(32 2) 295 4263  Fax: +(32 2) 299 8090  E-mail: sps@ec.europa.eu</p>
<p><b>13. Text(s) available from:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. <b>Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>European Commission  DG Health and Food Safety, Unit D2-Multilateral International Relations  Rue Froissart 101  B-1049 Brussels  Tel: +(32 2) 295 4263  Fax: +(32 2) 299 8090  E-mail: sps@ec.europa.eu</p>