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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

Original: English

NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: <u>BELIZE</u>
 - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- 2. Agency responsible: The Belize Agricultural Health Authority (BAHA)
- **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 Code(s): 2309, 0407, 0105
- 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: Belize Agricultural Health Authority (Poultry Health) Regulations, 2022. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 41

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/BLZ/22 2418 00 e.pdf

- 6. **Description of content:** The proposed Poultry Health Regulations set out disease prevention, control and eradication measures for OIE listed poultry diseases, particularly for Avian influenza and Newcastle Disease, as well as for diseases and conditions of national importance. They also provide an enabling structure to implement disease surveillance for early detection and rapid response with the ultimate goal of preventing, controlling and eradicating poultry disease in Belize.
- 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): OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code 2021 (Chapters 1.2-1.4, 2.1, 3.2, 3.4, 4.1, 4.3, 4.13, 4.14, 4.16, 4.18, 6.5, 7.5, 7.6, 10.1-10.9)
 - [] 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:

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9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
10.	Proposed date of adoption (<i>dd/mm/yy</i>): 31 May 2022 Proposed date of publication (<i>dd/mm/yy</i>): 31 May 2022
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 30 November 2022
	[] Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 17 May 2022
	Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:
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