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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	**Notifying Member:** BRAZIL **If applicable, name of local government involved:**
2.	**Agency responsible:** The Brazilian Health Regulatory Agency (ANVISA)
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):** Environment. Health protection. Safety (ICS code(s): 13)
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:** Draft Resolution number 1099, 24 June 2022. **Language(s):** Portuguese. **Number of pages:** 4 Draft: http://antigo.anvisa.gov.br/documents/10181/6455413/CONSULTA+P%C3%9ABLICA+N+1099+GGTOX.pdf/18060f0e-6e03-4716-b7cc-1be562d01196 Comment form: https://pesquisa.anvisa.gov.br/index.php/398348?lang=pt-BR
6.	**Description of content:** This draft resolution proposes a resolution by the Collegiate Board of Directors - RDC - on the banning of the active ingredient CARBENDAZIM in pesticide products in the country. Carbendazim underwent reassessment, which concluded that the substance has toxicological properties that, according to Brazilian legislation, are prohibitive for the registration of pesticides. Therefore, a RDC should be proposed, determining the best solution to the issue, deciding on: its maintenance, adoption of measures to mitigate health risks, the need for changes in its records, the suspension of its use, or the prohibition of its production, import, export, commercialization and use of the active ingredient and its technical and formulated products.
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:** **[X] Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:** CAC/MRL 1 Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs) for Pesticides **[ ] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:** **[ ] International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:** **[ ] None**

	Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? **[ ] Yes [X] No** **If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:** Brazilian MRLs are established based on scientific methodology consistent with international best practices. Countries usually set MRLs according to the Good Agricultural Practice (GAP) applicable to their region. Agricultural chemical use patterns differ between different production regions and countries as pests, diseases and environmental factors vary. This means that Brazilian MRLs for agricultural chemicals in food may differ from Codex standards. However, when a product differs from Brazilian MRLs, but is in conformity to Codex standards, it may be imported, provided that the risk assessment does not indicate an unacceptable risk to Brazilian consumers.
9.	**Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:**
10.	**Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined after the end of the consultation period. **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined after the end of the consultation period.
11.	**Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined after the end of the consultation period. **[ ] Trade facilitating measure**
12.	**Final date for comments: [ ] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 11 July 2022. The exceptionally short period for this public consultation is due to a court decision. **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:** Assessoria de Assuntos Internacionais – AINTE International Affairs Office Agência Nacional de Vigilância Sanitária – Anvisa Brazilian Health Regulatory Agency Tel: +(55 61) 3462 5402/5404/5406 E-mail: rel@anvisa.gov.br
13.	**Text(s) available from: [ ] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:** Assessoria de Assuntos Internacionais – AINTE International Affairs Office Agência Nacional de Vigilância Sanitária – Anvisa Brazilian Health Regulatory Agency Tel: +(55 61) 3462 5402/5404/5406 E-mail: rel@anvisa.gov.br