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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>CANADA</u>

If applicable, name of local government involved:

- 2. Agency responsible: Health Canada
- 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): Grape seed extract (oligomeric proanthocyanidins)
- 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: Health Canada's proposal to enable the use of grape seed extract (oligomeric proanthocyanidins) as a supplemental ingredient in foods.
 Language(s): English and French. Number of pages: 4
- 6. Description of content: Health Canada's Food Directorate completed a detailed premarket safety assessment of grape seed extract for use as a supplemental ingredient in foods, under the Supplemented Foods regulatory framework. The results of the premarket assessment support the safety of standardized grape seed extracts based on the oligomeric proanthocyanidins content. Consequently, Health Canada intends to enable the use of grape seed extract (oligomeric proanthocyanidins) by modifying the *List of Permitted Supplemental Ingredients* as described in the Notice of Proposal information document.

The purpose of this communication is to publicly announce the Department's intention in this regard and to provide the appropriate contact information for any inquiries or for those wishing to submit new scientific information relevant to the safety of grape seed extract (oligomeric proanthocyanidins) when used as a supplemental ingredient in foods.

- 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?

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	[]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: Health Canada's Food and Nutrition – "Public Involvement and Partnerships" Website, posted 16 August 2022 (available in English and French): https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement- partnerships.html https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public- partenariats.html
10.	Proposed date of adoption (<i>dd/mm/yy</i>): The proposed supplemental ingredient will be legally enabled once published in Health Canada's <i>List of permitted supplemental ingredients</i> (<u>https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/supplemented-foods/technical-documents/list-permitted-food-ingredients.html</u>).
	Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication , and/or (<i>dd/mm/yy</i>): The supplemental ingredient modification noted in this document come into force the day they are made to the <i>List of permitted supplemental ingredients</i> (<u>https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/supplemented-foods/technical-documents/list-permitted-food-ingredients.html</u>).
	[] Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 29 October 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:
13.	Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:
	The "Health Canada's proposal to enable the use of grape seed extract (oligomeric proanthocyanidins) as a supplemental ingredient in foods" is available through the following weblink: <u>https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement-partnerships/notice-proposal-enable-use-grape-seed-extract-supplemental-ingredient-foods/document.html (English)</u> <u>https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public-partenariats/avis-proposition-permettre-utilisation-extrait-pepins-raisin-ingredient-supplementaire-aliments/document.html (French)</u>
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