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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> AUSTRALIA <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
<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> Mushrooms and truffles (HS code(s): 07095)
<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> Amendments to the additional declaration for mushrooms for consumption and propagation. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> Mushrooms for human consumption: <a href="https://bicon.agriculture.gov.au/BiconWeb4.0/ImportConditions/Questions/EvaluateCase?elementID=0002333723&amp;elementVersionID=215">https://bicon.agriculture.gov.au/BiconWeb4.0/ImportConditions/Questions/EvaluateCase?elementID=0002333723&amp;elementVersionID=215</a> Mushrooms for propagation: <a href="https://bicon.agriculture.gov.au/BiconWeb4.0/ImportConditions/Questions/EvaluateCase?elementID=0000068323&amp;elementVersionID=228">https://bicon.agriculture.gov.au/BiconWeb4.0/ImportConditions/Questions/EvaluateCase?elementID=0000068323&amp;elementVersionID=228</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Following a review of the mushrooms for consumption and propagation pathways, the Department has updated the text in the additional declaration required to reflect the biosecurity management of the goods offshore. The declaration changes are below.  Current declaration: <i>"The product was grown on a substrate totally free of animal products including animal by-products and faeces."</i>  New declaration: <i>"The product was grown on a substrate totally free of animal products including animal by-products and faeces and has not been subsequently contaminated with animal by-products or faeces."</i>
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b> ISPM No. 12</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input checked="" 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></p>
<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> Import conditions are expected to be updated in BICON 14 October 2022, however the Department will allow a transition period for trading partners to adjust text. The new declaration will be expected to be in place for all goods certified from 1 December 2022.</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> 14 October 2022</p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> Import conditions are expected to be updated in BICON 14 October 2022, however the Department will allow a transition period for trading partners to adjust text. The new declaration will be expected to be in place for all goods certified from 1 December 2022.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 13 December 2022</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>Australian Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry GPO Box 858 Tel: +(61 2) 6272 3933 E-mail: <a href="mailto:sps.contact@agriculture.gov.au">sps.contact@agriculture.gov.au</a> Website: <a href="http://www.agriculture.gov.au">http://www.agriculture.gov.au</a></p>
<p><b>13. Text(s) available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>Australian Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry GPO Box 858 Tel: +(61 2) 6272 3933 E-mail: <a href="mailto:sps.contact@agriculture.gov.au">sps.contact@agriculture.gov.au</a> Website: <a href="http://www.agriculture.gov.au">http://www.agriculture.gov.au</a></p>