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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

Original: English

NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>AUSTRALIA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Australian Government Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
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): Live domestic dogs of the species <i>Canis familiaris</i>
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5.	Title of the notified document: Animal biosecurity advice: Review of <i>Ehrlichia canis</i> import conditions for dogs from approved countries. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 1 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/AUS/22_7359_00_e.pdf
6.	Description of content: <i>Ehrlichia canis</i> has been detected across Australia and is now considered to be established. As a result, Australia is updating its import conditions for dogs from approved countries. The Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry is removing the requirement for dogs to test negative for <i>E. canis</i> prior to importation into Australia, consistent with Australia's international trading obligations. Changes to the import conditions will take effect from 1 November 2022. Affected import permits will be varied, and all permit holders will be notified of the changes directly.
7.	Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" 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.
8.	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): Chapter 5.1 of the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) Terrestrial Animal Health Code <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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:
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 1 November 2022 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 1 November 2022
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 November 2022 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Australian Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry GPO Box 858 Canberra ACT 2601 Tel: +(61 2) 6272 3933 E-mail: sps.contact@agriculture.gov.au Website: http://www.agriculture.gov.au
13.	Text(s) available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Australian Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry GPO Box 858 Canberra ACT 2601 Tel: +(61 2) 6272 3933 E-mail: sps.contact@agriculture.gov.au Website: http://www.agriculture.gov.au