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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> TÜRKIYE <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry/General Directorate of Food and Control
<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> Breeding and non-breeding animals and germinal products (for cattle, breeding female and male bovine animals and male cattle for breeding and slaughtering)
<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> Communiqué on Import of Breeding and Non-breeding Animals and Germinal Products. <b>Language(s):</b> Turkish. <b>Number of pages:</b> 3 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/TUR/23_0978_00_x.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/TUR/23_0978_00_x.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The purpose of this communiqué is to regulate the issues related to the importation of breeding and non-breeding animals and germinal products. This communiqué covers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– breeding and non-breeding animals and germinal products;</li><li>– the approval of the Control Document required for the import of fattening, slaughtering cattle and sheep-goat type animals, equidae, poultry, bees and other animals and germinal products;</li><li>– document requirements and the issues related to the issuance of the Veterinary Health Certificate.</li></ul> The Communiqué regulates the conditions that restrict the approval of the Control Document, the issuance and validity period of the Veterinary Health Certificate. The Communiqué provides the opportunity to prepare and approve documents in electronic environment. This Communiqué brings together other legislation that was previously in effect. It contains revisions that make it easier in practice.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <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.
<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):

<p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input 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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Veterinary Services, Plant Health, Food and Feed Law dated 11 June 2010 and numbered 5996</li> <li>- Regulation on Laying down the principles governing of Veterinary Controls for Live Animals Entering the Country, published in the Official Gazette dated 17 December 2011 and numbered 28145</li> <li>- Regulation on the Determination of Animal Health Rules for the Importation and Transit of Certain Live Ungulate Animals published in the Official Gazette dated 20 September 2015 and numbered 29481</li> <li>- Regulation on Live Animals and Animal Products Subject to Veterinary Controls at Entry into the Country, published in the Official Gazette dated 21 December 2011 and numbered 28149, G/SPS/N/TUR/17</li> <li>- Regulation on Artificial Insemination, Natural Insemination and Embryo Transfer Activities published in the Official Gazette dated 3 June 2011 and dated 8 December 2011 and numbered 28136</li> </ul>
<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> 22 February 2023</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> 22 February 2023</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> 22 February 2023</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 20 February 2023</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>Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry  General Directorate of Food and Control  Eskisehir Yolu 9. Km. Lodumlu Ankara - Turkey  Tel: +(90) 312 258 75 39  Fax: +(90) 312 258 77 60  E-mail: <a href="mailto:sps@tarimorman.gov.tr">sps@tarimorman.gov.tr</a>  <a href="mailto:hayvanithalat@tarimorman.gov.tr">hayvanithalat@tarimorman.gov.tr</a>  Website: <a href="http://www.tarimorman.gov.tr">http://www.tarimorman.gov.tr</a></p>

**13. Text(s) available from:  National Notification Authority,  National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**

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