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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

## NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: MACAO, CHINA
  - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- **2. Agency responsible:** Municipal Affairs Bureau (IAM), The Government of the Macao Special Administrative Region
- 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): Food
- 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: Administrative Regulation No. 02/2023 Amendment to Administrative Regulation No. 11/2020 (Maximum residue limits of pesticides in foodstuffs). Language(s): Chinese and Portuguese. Number of pages: 412

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6. Description of content: In order to ensure food safety and better supervise pesticide residues in food, amendments have been introduced to the Administrative Regulation No. 11/2020 Maximum residue limits of pesticides in foodstuffs), expanding its scope of coverage on pesticides and categories of foodstuffs. The Administrative Regulation No. 02/2023, a food safety standard that regulates the levels of pesticide residues in food, amends the Administrative Regulation No. 11/2020 to replace the provisions of the attached tables and revise the appendix to include Table 1 (List of maximum levels of pesticide residues in foodstuffs) and Table 2 (List of maximum limits of exogenous residues of pesticides in foodstuffs). This administrative regulation establishes the maximum residue limits and extraneous maximum residue limits of pesticides presenting in foodstuffs, as well as the list of pesticides exempted from maximum residue limits, as stipulated in the annexes to the regulation. In this administrative regulation, "pesticide" is defined as any substance intended for preventing, destroying, attracting, repelling, or controlling pests during the production, storage, transport, distribution, and processing of food, or which may be administered to animals for the control of ectoparasites, including substances intended for use as plant-growth regulators, defoliants, desiccants, fruit thinning agents or sprouting inhibitors, and substances applied to crops either before or after harvest to prevent deterioration during storage and transport, and excluding fertilizers, plant and animal nutrients, food additives and veterinary drugs. According to the administrative regulation, maximum residue limits and extraneous maximum residue limits of pesticides in foodstuffs shall comply with the standards stipulated in the annexes.

## 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 [X] standard or related text): Codex Maximum Residue Limits for Pesticides and **Extraneous Maximum Residue Limits** 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? [X] 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: 10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 11 January 2023 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 13 February 2023 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [X] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 14 February 2023 [] Trade facilitating measure 12. Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enguiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: For further information, please contact: Municipal Affairs Bureau Avenida de Almeida Ribeiro No. 163 Instituto para os Assuntos Municipais Tel: +(853) 8296 1111 Fax: +(853) 8296 1114 E-mail: <a href="mailto:sps-dsa@iam.gov.mo">sps-dsa@iam.gov.mo</a> 13. Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: For further information, please contact: Municipal Affairs Bureau Avenida de Almeida Ribeiro No. 163 Instituto para os Assuntos Municipais Tel: +(853) 8296 1111

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