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## **Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures**

## **NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES**

- 1. Notifying Member: REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

  If applicable, name of local government involved:
- **2. Agency responsible:** National Food Safety Agency
- 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 and feed of non-animal origin according to the annexes to the order
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
  - [X] All trading partners All countries, particularly Bangladesh, Brazil, China, Dominican Republic, Egypt, Ethiopia, The Gambia, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Iran, Malaysia, Nigeria, Pakistan, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Türkiye, Uganda and Vietnam.
  - [ ] Specific regions or countries:
- **5. Title of the notified document:** Order No. 51 from 8 February 2023 on the approval of the Regulation regarding the temporary intensification of official customs controls and emergency measures undertaken during the entry into the Republic of Moldova of certain goods from certain countries. **Language(s):** Romanian. **Number of pages:** 25

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- **6. Description of content:** The document introduces additional measures regarding a temporary intensification of controls during the entry into the Republic of Moldova of the certain categories of consignments of food and feed of nonanimal origin. The measures are introduced due to the high risk of contamination by salmonella, mycotoxins, including aflatoxins, pesticide residues, pentachlorophenol and dioxins and microbiological contamination.
- 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. Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action: Temporary special conditions on intensification of controls upon the entry into the territory of the Republic of Moldova of specific categories of consignments of food and feed of nonanimal origin are imposed due to the imminent high risk of contamination by mycotoxins, including aflatoxins, pesticide residues, pentachlorophenol and dioxins and microbiological contamination as well as salmonella.

- 9. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:
  - [X] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): among others:
    - CXS 228-2001 General Methods of Analysis for Contaminant
    - CXG 80-2013 Guidelines on the Application of Risk Assessment for Feed
    - CXS 131-1981 Standard for Unshelled Pistachio Nuts
    - CXS 200-1995 CODEX STANDARD FOR PEANUTS
    - CXC 45-1997 Code of Practice for the Reduction of Aflatoxin B1 in Raw Materials and Supplemental Feedingstuffs for Milk-Producing Animals
    - CXC 54-2004 Code of Practice on Good Animal Feed
  - [] 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:

- 10. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: (EU) regulation 2019/1793 of 22 October 2019 on the temporary increase of official controls and emergency measures governing the entry into the Union of certain goods from certain third countries implementing Regulations (EU) 2017/625 and (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Commission Regulations (EC) No 669/2009, (EU) No 884/2014, (EU) 2015/175, (EU) 2017/186 and (EU) 2018/1660
- 11. Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable): 7 March 2023/Until the National Food Safety Agency will review the lists set out in Annexes I, II and IIa. The review will take place on a regular basis not exceeding a period of six months and will to take into account new information related to risks and non-compliance.
  - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. 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:

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

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