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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> European Commission, Health and Food Safety Directorate-General
<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> Germinal products of kept bovine, ovine, caprine, porcine, equine animals, and of dogs and cats
<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> Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2023/647 of 13 January 2023 amending Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/686 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the approval of germinal product establishments and the traceability and animal health requirements for movements within the Union of germinal products of certain kept terrestrial animals (Text with EEA relevance). <b>Language(s):</b> English, French and Spanish. <b>Number of pages:</b> 7 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/EEC/23_8401_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/EEC/23_8401_00_e.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/EEC/23_8401_00_f.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/EEC/23_8401_00_f.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/EEC/23_8401_00_s.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/EEC/23_8401_00_s.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Fine-tuning of some elements of the applicable Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/686 based on experience with its implementation and towards better alignment with international standards. The changes concern definition and functions of an embryo collection team, de-regulation of germinal products of dogs and cats, testing for porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome and classical swine fever, requirements for epizootic haemorrhagic disease and de-regulation of addition of antibiotics to semen.
<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"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b> Terrestrial Animal Health Code, Chapters 4.6-4.9, 8.7, 8.8, 15.2, 15.3 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b>

<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> 13 January 2023</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> 21 March 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> This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.</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> Not applicable</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>European Commission          DG Health and Food Safety, Unit A4-Multilateral International Relations          Rue Froissart 101          B-1049 Brussels          Tel: +(32 2) 29 54263          Fax: +(32 2) 29 98090          E-mail: <a href="mailto:sps@ec.europa.eu">sps@ec.europa.eu</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>European Commission          DG Health and Food Safety, Unit A4-Multilateral International Relations          Rue Froissart 101          B-1049 Brussels          Tel: +(32 2) 29 54263          Fax: +(32 2) 29 98090          E-mail: <a href="mailto:sps@ec.europa.eu">sps@ec.europa.eu</a></p>