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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>MOROCCO</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: <i>Office National de Sécurité Sanitaire des Produits Alimentaires, ONSSA (National Office for Food Safety)</i>
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): Animal feed
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: <i>Projet de décret relatif à la qualité et à la sécurité sanitaire des aliments pour animaux (Draft Decree on the quality and safety of animal feed).</i> Language(s): French Number of pages: 20 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/MAR/23_9264_00_f.pdf
6. Description of content: The notified draft Decree is part of the implementation of Law No. 28-07 on food safety, enacted by Dahir No. 1.10.08 of 26 Safar 1431 (11 February 2010). It lays down the conditions and requirements to be met by feed for animals producing products for human consumption and provisions for the labelling of such feed. The aim of the notified draft is to ensure that commercial animal feed does not pose a risk to animal health or cause harmful changes to food of animal origin consumed by humans, and that it does not pose a risk to human health, while complying with international standards for the labelling of feed. Thus, the notified draft Decree: <ul style="list-style-type: none">– sets out general and specific requirements for raw materials, additives and compound feeds;– lays down all obligatory labelling information, including nutrition declarations for the relevant animal species;– makes feed business operators responsible for taking all precautions to ensure that prohibited substances are not used in feed;– specifies that all labelling information must be in Arabic and possibly in one or more other languages, and that it must be understandable, visible, legible and indelible;– establishes the analytical constituents of compound feeds and the permitted tolerances;– lays down technical provisions on impurities, milk replacers, binding or denaturing feed materials, ash content and water content;– sets out the list of raw materials authorized by order of the Minister responsible for agriculture. Lastly, it should be noted that the draft Decree establishes a transitional period for its entry into force of six months from its publication in the Official Journal to enable

	producers and importers to comply with its provisions and to allow animal feed placed on the market before its entry into force to be sold until stocks are exhausted.
7.	Objective and rationale: <input checked="" 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.	<p>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): CXC 54-2004 Code of Practice on Good Animal Feeding</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
10.	<p>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 25 June 2023</p> <p>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 email address (if available) of other body:</p> <p><i>Division de la Normalisation et des Questions SPS (Standardization and SPS Matters Division)</i> <i>Direction de l'Evaluation des Risques et des Affaires Juridiques (Directorate of Risk Assessment and Legal Affairs)</i> <i>Office National de Sécurité Sanitaire des Produits Alimentaires (National Office for Food Safety)</i> Avenue Hadj Ahmed Cherkaoui Tel.: (+212) 5 37 67 65 11/13 Mobile: (+212) 6 73 99 78 17 Fax: (+212) 5 37 68 20 49 Email: enquirypoint.spsmar@onssa.gov.ma Website: http://www.onssa.gov.ma</p>

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

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