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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>SWITZERLAND</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: State Secretariate for Economic Affairs SECO - Federal Food Safety and Veterinary Office (FSVO)
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): Frogs of the genus Pelophylax from the Family of Ranidae, and the genus Fejervarya, Limnonectes and Hoplobatrachus from the Family of Dicroglossidae Snails of the Family of Helicidae, Hygromiidae or Sphincterochilidae
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: Ordonnance du DFI sur les denrées alimentaires d'origine animale. Language(s): French. Number of pages: 2 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/CHE/23_09682_00_f.pdf
6. Description of content: Snails of the family of Helicidae, Hygromiidae or Sphincterochilidae are added to the list of permitted snails for human consumption. Frogs' legs of the genus Pelophylax from the family of Ranidae, and the genus Fejervarya, Limnonectes and Hoplobatrachus from the family of Dicroglossidae, are added to the list of permitted animals for human consumption. Due to changes in eating habits, frogs' legs and snails of other species are also produced and placed on the market for human consumption. The specific hygiene rules should therefore be extended to cover those species to ensure the safety of food derived from these species.
7. Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input 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. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None

<p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input 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.	<p>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/1374 of 12 April 2021 amending Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council on specific hygiene requirements for food of animal origin (available in English).</p>
10.	<p>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 31 August 2023 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 23 November 2023</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 January 2024 <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): 24 July 2023 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: State Secretariate for Economic Affairs SECO Holzikofenweg 36, 3003 Bern Switzerland E-mail: sps@seco.admin.ch</p>
13.	<p>Text(s) available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: State Secretariate for Economic Affairs SECO Holzikofenweg 36, 3003 Bern Switzerland E-mail: sps@seco.admin.ch</p>