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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u>
 - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- 2. Agency responsible: European Commission, Health and Food Safety Directorate-General
- 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): Lacto-N-neotetraose
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [X] All trading partners
 - [] Specific regions or countries:
- Title of the notified document: Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/961 of 12 May 2023 amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2470 as regards the conditions of use of the novel food Lacto-N-neotetraose (Text with EEA relevance). Language(s): English, French and Spanish. Number of pages: 5

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- 6. Description of content: The measure authorizes the change in the conditions of use of Lacto-N-neotetraose to be used in infant formula and follow-on formula at the currently authorized levels of up to 0,6 g/l, without the obligatory use in combination with 2'-Fucosyllactose at a 1:2 use ratio (one part Lacto-N-neotetraose with two parts 2'-Fucosyllactose). Also, the measure removes the obligatory use of Lacto-N-neotetraose in combination with 2'-Fucosyllactose at a 1:2 use ratio in milk-based drinks and similar products intended for young children without when the two novel foods are added separately.
- 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. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:
 - [] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):
 - [] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):
 - [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
 - [X] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

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[]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*): 12 May 2023
 - Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 16 May 2023
- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 5 June 2023
 - [X] 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: [X] 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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