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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): Food-producing animals and products derived therefrom intended for human consumption
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
  - [X] All trading partners
  - [] Specific regions or countries:
- 5. Title of the notified document: COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) .../... amending Annex III to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/2235 and Annex II to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/403 as regards model certificates for the entry into the Union of consignments of certain products of animal origin and certain categories of animals. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 27

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6. **Description of content:** Article 118 (1) of Regulation (EU) 2019/6 requires third country operators exporting animals or products of animal origin to the European Union to respect the prohibition on the use of antimicrobial medicinal products for the purpose of promoting growth or to increase yield, and on the use of antimicrobials that have been reserved for the treatment of certain infections in humans.

Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2023/905 supplements Regulation (EU) 2019/6 as regards the conditions for the entry into the Union of consignments of food-producing animals and products derived therefrom intended for human consumption from third countries or regions thereof.

Article 4 (1)(b) of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2023/905 establishes that consignments of animals or products concerned entering the Union from third countries shall be accompanied by an official certificate attesting compliance with the Union's prohibition on the use of antimicrobial medicinal products.

This draft Implementing Regulation amends the model certificates for the export to the Union of food-producing animals and products derived therefrom intended for human consumption to include the relevant attestations of compliance with the provisions set by Regulation (EU) 2019/6.

7. Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [] animal health, [] plant protection, [X] 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:
  - [X] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): Notably Code of Practice to minimize and contain foodborne antimicrobial resistance (CXC 61-2005; amended in 2021), Guidelines for Risk Analysis of Foodborne Antimicrobial resistance (CXG 77-2011)
  - [X] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): Notably, Resolution No. 26 Combating Antimicrobial Resistance and Promoting the Prudent Use of Antimicrobial Agents in Animal, Resolution No. 36 combating antimicrobial resistance through a one health approach: actions and OIE strategy and Resolution No. 38 global action to alleviate the threat of antimicrobial resistance: progress and opportunities for future activities under the 'one health' initiative
  - [] 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:

- 9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
- **10.** Proposed date of adoption (*dd/mm/yy*): October 2023

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): January 2024

- **11.** Proposed date of entry into force: [X] Six months from date of publication, and/or (*dd/mm/yy*):
  - [] Trade facilitating measure
- **12.** Final date for comments: **[X]** Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 16 September 2023

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