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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

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| <b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</u><br><b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>  |
| <b>2. Agency responsible:</b> United States Food and Drug Administration   |
| <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> HS Codes: 29, 04; ICS Codes: 67  |
| <b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners<br><input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:  |
| <b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> McCormick & Company, Inc.; Filing of Color Additive Petition; Notice of Petition. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 3<br><a href="https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-09-16/pdf/2016-22289.pdf">https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-09-16/pdf/2016-22289.pdf</a><br><a href="http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/SPS/USA/16_3936_00_e.pdf">http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/SPS/USA/16_3936_00_e.pdf</a>   |
| <b>6. Description of content:</b> The Food and Drug Administration has filed a petition, submitted by McCormick & Company, Inc., proposing that the color additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of spirulina extract to color shell eggs at levels consistent with good manufacturing practice.  |
| <b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <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.   |
| <b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):<br><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):<br><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None<br><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No<br><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b> |
| <b>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b>   |

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| <b>10.</b> | <b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> Not applicable<br><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> Not applicable  |
| <b>11.</b> | <b>Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> Not applicable<br><b>[ ] Trade facilitating measure</b>  |
| <b>12.</b> | <b>Final date for comments: [ ] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> Not applicable<br><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ] National Notification Authority, [ ] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b><br>Celeste Johnston, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS-265), Food and Drug Administration, 5001 Campus Dr., College Park, MD 20740-3835; Tel: +(1) 240 402 1282   |
| <b>13.</b> | <b>Text(s) available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [ ] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b><br>United States SPS National Notification Authority, USDA Foreign Agricultural Service, International Regulations and Standards Division (IRSD), Stop 1014, Washington D.C. 20250; Tel: +(1 202) 720 1301; Fax: +(1 202) 720 0433; E-mail: us.spsenquiry@fas.usda.gov<br>Text can also be found in the Federal Register, Vol. 81, No. 180, page 63728 or on the internet at: <a href="https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-09-16/pdf/2016-22289.pdf">https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-09-16/pdf/2016-22289.pdf</a> . |