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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>TÜRKIYE</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry/General Directorate of Food and Control
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): Methyl bromide (MeBr) fumigation
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: Restriction of Methyl Bromide (MeBr) Fumigation Applications for Re-Export of Products. Language(s): . Number of pages:
6.	Description of content: Due to its negative effect on the ozone layer, efforts are being made to reduce and completely terminate the usage of Methyl bromide (MeBr). Türkiye became a party to the Montreal Protocol on 19 December 1991 and accepted all amendments of the Protocol to date. In order to reduce the usage of MeBr, which is among the ozone depleting substances under the Montreal Protocol, the Regulation on Reducing the Use of Methyl Bromide in Agriculture has been published in Türkiye on 23 June 2000. Considering the risks of MeBr on human and environmental health, in order to reduce the use of MeBr, "Fumigation application with MeBr for products to be re-exported is prohibited" as of 1 April 2024.
7.	Objective and rationale: <input 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 checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): ISPM No. 43 <input type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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: Regulation on Reducing the Use of Methyl Bromide in Agriculture in our country in order to reduce the use of MeBr (23 June 2000)
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 April 2024 <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable 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 e-mail address (if available) of other body: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry General Directorate of Food and Control Address: Eskisehir Yolu 9. Km. Lodumlu-Ankara/TURKİYE Tel: +(90 312) 258 7428 Fax: +(90 312) 258 7472 E-mail: nppoturkiye@tarimorman.gov.tr spstarim@tarimorman.gov.tr
13.	Text(s) available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry General Directorate of Food and Control Address: Eskisehir Yolu 9. Km. Lodumlu-Ankara/TURKİYE Tel: +(90 312) 258 7428 Fax: +(90 312) 258 7472 E-mail: nppoturkiye@tarimorman.gov.tr spstarim@tarimorman.gov.tr