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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

1.	<b>Notifying Member:</b> <u>REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> National Agency for Food Safety
3.	<b>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> Live animals (HS code(s): 01); Meat and edible meat offal (HS code(s): 02); Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates (HS code(s): 03); Dairy produce; Birds' eggs; Natural honey; Edible products of animal origin, not elsewhere specified or included (HS code(s): 04); Products of animal origin, not elsewhere specified or included (HS code(s): 05); Animal, vegetable or microbial fats and oils and their cleavage products; Prepared edible fats; Animal or vegetable waxes (HS code(s): 15); Preparations of meat, of fish, of crustaceans, molluscs or other aquatic invertebrates, or of insects (HS code(s): 16); Residues and waste from the food industries; prepared animal fodder (HS code(s): 23)
4.	<b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>All trading partners</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Specific regions or countries:</b>
5.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> Law on veterinary and sanitary activity No. 221/2007 amended by the Law for the amendment of some normative acts (regarding the facilitation of activity in the food field) No. 373/2023 (Art. IV, point 5 of the Law 373/2023). <b>Language(s):</b> Romanian. <b>Number of pages:</b> 22 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/MDA/24_03054_00_x.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/MDA/24_03054_00_x.pdf</a>
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> The amendment on the Law on veterinary and sanitary activity No. 221/2007 is made through the Art. IV, point 5 of the Law No. 373/2023 which states the following: "On the market of the Republic of Moldova, only animal products and by-products subject to veterinary health control are introduced, originating from imports, which have the right to import into the European Union market or which are imported based on an equivalence agreement concluded with the competent authority of the country without the right to import into the European Union market, following an audit."
7.	<b>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.
8.	<b>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b> General standard for the labelling of prepackaged foods CXS 1-1985 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b> Terrestrial Animal Health Code (2023), Volume 1, Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7

<p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b></p>
<p><b>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p>
<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> 30 November 2023</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> 22 December 2023</p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 22 February 2024</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Mrs Diana GHERMAN, Head of International Relations Department National Food Safety Agency of the Republic of Moldova Str. Mihail Kogălniceanu 63 Chisinau, MD 2009 E-mail: <a href="mailto:diana.gherman@ansa.gov.md">diana.gherman@ansa.gov.md</a> <a href="mailto:notificari.omc@ansa.gov.md">notificari.omc@ansa.gov.md</a></p>
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