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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> AUSTRALIA <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Australian Government Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
<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> Live garden snails ( <i>Cornu aspersum</i> ) for heliciculture
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Importation of live garden snails ( <i>Cornu aspersum</i> ) for heliciculture: Draft Biosecurity Import Risk Review. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 100 <a href="https://haveyoursay.agriculture.gov.au">https://haveyoursay.agriculture.gov.au</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The Australian Government Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry has released the draft Biosecurity Import Risk Review for the Importation of live garden snails ( <i>Cornu aspersum</i> ) for heliciculture, for comment.  The draft report assesses the risk of pathogenic agents associated with this species of garden snail.  The draft report proposes that live garden snails can be permitted import into Australia, provided they comply with a range of biosecurity measures, including post-arrival quarantine. These measures are supported by risk assessments, meet Australia's international rights and obligations, and are necessary to protect the health of Australian plants and animals.  The draft report can be accessed at <a href="https://haveyoursay.agriculture.gov.au">https://haveyoursay.agriculture.gov.au</a> .  Trading partners are invited to provide comments on the draft report until 7 October 2024 (60-day comment period).  The department will carefully consider all comments while preparing the final report.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" 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.

<p><b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input 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> 2025</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> 7 August 2024</p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 2025</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 6 October 2024</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>Australian Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry  GPO Box 858  Canberra ACT 2601  Australia  Tel: +(61) 2 6272 3933  Email: <a href="mailto:sps.contact@aff.gov.au">sps.contact@aff.gov.au</a>  Website: <a href="http://www.agriculture.gov.au">http://www.agriculture.gov.au</a></p>
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