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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: AUSTRALIA If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Australian Government Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
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): Live marine ornamental fish
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: Review of the biosecurity risks of prawns imported from all countries for human consumption – Final report. Language(s): English. Number of pages: Approximately 300 https://haveyoursay.agriculture.gov.au/ornamental-fish
6.	Description of content: The Australian Government Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry has released the draft report for the <i>Review of live marine ornamental fish import policy</i> for comment. The draft report assesses the risk of pathogenic agents associated with species on the department's List of permitted live marine ornamental fish suitable for import found on our Biosecurity Import Conditions System (BICON). The draft report proposes that live marine ornamental fish, including fish sourced from captive bred populations, can be permitted import into Australia, provided they comply with a range of biosecurity measures, including pre- and post-arrival quarantine and sourcing from disease-free populations. These measures are supported by risk assessments, meet Australia's international rights and obligations, and are necessary to protect the health of Australian fish. The draft report will be accessible at https://haveyoursay.agriculture.gov.au . Trading partners are invited to provide comments on the draft report until 28 October 2024 (60-day comment period). The department will carefully consider all comments while preparing the final report.
7.	Objective and rationale: <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.
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):

<p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): Mid 2025</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 26 August 2024</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): Mid 2025</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 25 October 2024</p> <p>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:</p> <p>The Australian SPS Notification Authority GPO Box 858 Canberra ACT 2601 Australia E-mail: sps.contact@aff.gov.au</p>
<p>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:</p> <p>The Australian SPS Notification Authority GPO Box 858 Canberra ACT 2601 Australia E-mail: sps.contact@aff.gov.au</p>