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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: EUROPEAN UNION
 - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- 2. Agency responsible: European Commission, Health and Food Safety Directorate-General
- 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 animals and food of animal origin
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [X] All trading partners
 - [] Specific regions or countries:
- 5. Title of the notified document: Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2024/2563 of 24 September 2024 amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/1646 as regards additional content of the national risk-based control plans and the national randomised surveillance plan, the submission of those plans and data by Member States and minimum sampling frequencies (Text with EEA relevance). Language(s): English, French and Spanish. Number of pages: 3

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6. **Description of content:** After the first year of implementation of the new practical arrangements for the performance of official controls on the use of pharmacologically active substances authorized as veterinary medicinal products or as feed additives and of prohibited or unauthorized pharmacologically active substances and residues thereof (Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/1646) it appears that certain mandatory sampling frequencies for certain combinations of substance subgroups (plant protection products and biocides) and commodity groups can also be controlled under the framework for control plans on pesticide residues.

To avoid double sampling/reporting, member States can choose under which framework (pesticide residues or residues of veterinary medicinal products) they will take samples. Therefore, this implementing Regulation the mandatory sampling frequency requirement (currently 5% of the total samples) under the residues of veterinary medicinal product control plan for these substance groups is replaced by a mandatory sampling without fixed percentage.

In addition, a few other non-substantial changes will be made to improve the clarity of the Regulation.

7. Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [] animal health, [] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests.

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8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex [] standard or related text): World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic [] Animal Health Code, chapter number): International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): [] [X] None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? []Yes []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: 10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 24 September 2024 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 27 September 2024 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 17 October 2024 [X] Trade facilitating measure 12. Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: European Commission DG Health and Food Safety, Unit A4-Multilateral International Relations Rue Froissart 101 B-1049 Brussels Tel: +(32 2) 29 54263 E-mail: sps@ec.europa.eu Text(s) available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry 13. Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: **European Commission** DG Health and Food Safety, Unit A4-Multilateral International Relations Rue Froissart 101 B-1049 Brussels Tel: +(32 2) 29 54263

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