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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

Revision

- 1. Notifying Member: THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU
 - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- **2. Agency responsible:** Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine, Council of Agriculture
- 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): Plant products for animal consumption
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [X] All trading partners
 - [] Specific regions or countries:
- Title of the notified document: The draft amendment of Article 8-1 of the "Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of Animals and Animal Products". Language(s): English. Number of pages: 3

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https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/TPKM/20 3784 00 e.pdf

- 6. **Description of content:** The Requirements regulate the importation of straw and forage for animal feed. The amendment added is Article 8-1 of the "Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of Animals and Animal Products", in which the "Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of Straw and Forage for Animal Feed" must be complied with. After considering the comments from WTO members, the main points are summarized below and the rest of the Requirements remain unchanged:
 - 1. Straw and forage for animal consumption are considered objects subject to quarantine because they are considered to have capability of spreading foot and mouth disease and African swine fever.
 - 2. In order to carry out the control measures for animal quarantine, the draft of the "Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of Straw and Forage for Animal Feed" is amended as follows:
 - a. Straw and forage for animal feed shall not contain visible contaminants of feces, blood scab or others which pose risk of disease transmission to ensure the safety and animal health.
 - b. The name and signature required for the certificate issued by the competent authority is changed from veterinary officer to officer.

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

- 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):
 - [X] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code Chapter 8.8
 - [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
 - [] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

[X] 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: The draft amendment of Article 8-1 of the "Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of Animals and Animal Products" (Council of Agriculture Announcement, Nong Fang Zi No. 1091481615 dated 28 May 2020) can be found at:

 https://www.baphiq.gov.tw/theme_data.php?theme=news&sub_theme=massage&id=2

 0041 (available in Chinese only)
- **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: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.
 - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 18 August 2020

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