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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>UNITED KINGDOM</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: The Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and The Health and Safety Executive
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): Apricots (0140010); Cherries (sweet) (0140020); Peaches (0140030); Kiwi (green, red, yellow) (0612010); Herbal infusions (leaves and herbs) (0632000) * For reference, the full list of GB commodity codes is set out in Part 1 of the GB pesticides Maximum Residue Level Statutory Register – see link .
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: ☒ All trading partners ☐ Specific regions or countries:
5.	Title of the notified document: Proposed GB MRLs for emamectin amending the GB MRL Statutory Register. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 17 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/GBR/25_06650_00_e.pdf
6.	Description of content: Emamectin is not an approved active substance in Great Britain (GB); its approval status expired on 30 November 2024. An application was received by the Health and Safety Executive to set new maximum residue level (MRL) for apricots, cherries (sweet), peaches, kiwi (green, red, yellow), and herbal infusions (leaves and herbs). Following an assessment, the following MRLs have been increased to set Import Tolerances for emamectin on various commodities: Apricots 0.05mg/kg, Cherries (sweet) 0.04mg/kg, Peaches 0.05mg/kg, Kiwi (green, red, yellow) 0.15mg/kg, Herbal infusions (leaves and herbs) 2.0mg/kg. The Evaluation Report/ Reasoned Opinion supporting these new MRLs is available at the following link: https://www.hse.gov.uk/pesticides/assets/docs/mrln-abbq-0985.pdf . The residue levels arising in food from the notified uses result in consumer exposures below the toxicological reference values and therefore harmful effects on human health are not expected. As the residue levels exceed the current MRLs in force, new MRLs are being adopted.
7.	Objective and rationale: ☒ food safety, ☐ 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): Codex standard derived from JMPR active substance number 247 ☐ World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): ☐ International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): ☐ 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: The GB MRL being adopted for emamectin for peaches is higher than the codex maximum residue level (CXL). This is to accommodate an authorisation that gives rise to higher residues in peaches than permitted by the CXL.
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 2 September 2025 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 2 September 2025
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: ☐ Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 2 March 2026 ☒ 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: ☒ National Notification Authority, ☒ National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: UK WTO SPS National Notification Authority and Enquiry Point Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Seacole Building 2 Marsham St London SW1P 4DF E-mail: UKSPS@defra.gov.uk
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