NOTIFICATION

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| **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):** Dried vine fruit, dried fruit other than dried vine fruit, certain liquorice products, dried herbs, certain ingredients for herbal infusions, certain oilseeds, pistachio nuts and cocoa powder, non-alcoholic malt beverages, date syrup, roasted and soluble coffee |
| **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:** Draft Commission Regulation (EU) amending Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006 as regards maximum levels of ochratoxin A in certain foodstuffs (Text with EEA relevance).**Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 3+4  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/EEC/22_2024_00_e.pdf>  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/EEC/22_2024_01_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The draft Regulation establishes maximum levels for ochratoxin A in dried fruit other than dried vine fruit, certain liquorice products, dried herbs, certain ingredients for herbal infusions, certain oilseeds, pistachio nuts and cocoa powder, non‑alcoholic malt beverages, date syrup and lowers the maximum level for ochratoxin A in dried vine fruit, roasted coffee and soluble coffee. |
| **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.** |
| **8.** | **Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:**  **[****X]** **Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:** CXS 193-1995 General Standard for Contaminants and Toxins in Food and Feed  **[ ]****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?**  **[****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:** |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** August 2022  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** August 2022 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** 1 January 2023  **[ ]****Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****X]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 8 May 2022  **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 D2-Multilateral International Relations  Rue Froissart 101  B-1049 Brussels  Tel: +(32 2) 29 54263  Fax: +(32 2) 29 98090  E-mail: sps@ec.europa.eu |
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