NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Australia  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment |
| **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):** Imports of goods lodged under Schedule 3, Section II of Australia's tariff system:   * Vegetable products * Impacted Apiaceae seed species are the following:   + *Anthriscus cerefolium* (chervil) [Tariff 1209, 0910]   + *Apium graveolens* (celery) [Tariff 1209, 0910]   + *Foeniculum vulgare* (fennel) [Tariff 1209, 0909, 0910]   + *Pastinaca sativa* (parsnip) [Tariff 1209, 0910]   + *Petroselinum crispum* (parsley) [Tariff 1209, 0910] |
| **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:** Notification of planned import permit requirements for apiaceous seeds.**Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 3 |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** On 30 March 2021, the Australian Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment (the department) will introduce an import permit requirement for the following apiaceous seed species imported for human consumption and sowing purposes:   * *Anthriscus cerefolium* (chervil) * *Apium graveolens* (celery) * *Foeniculum vulgare* (fennel) * *Pastinaca sativa* (parsnip) * *Petroselinum crispum* (parsley)   An import permit is being introduced for the above species as they require specific phytosanitary import requirements to manage the seed-borne disease risk on the pathway. The new requirement will apply to all synonyms and sub-ordinate taxa of the above species.  The department will not facilitate the clearance of goods that require an import permit but arrive without one. Consignments that arrive on or after 30 March 2021 without an import permit, including scenarios where an application is currently under consideration, will be directed for export or destroyed in an approved manner.  Consignments that arrive in Australian territory prior to 30 March 2021 will be permitted entry without an import permit. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [ ]****food safety, [ ]****animal health, [****X]****plant protection, [ ]****protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [****X]****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)*:**  **[ ]****World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:**  **[****X]** **International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:** ISPM N° 20  **[ ]****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)*:** 30 March 2021  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** 30 March 2021  **[ ]****Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****X]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 6 March 2021  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [****X]****National Notification Authority, [ ]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  The Australian SPS Notification Authority  GPO Box 858  Canberra ACT 2601  Australia  E-mail: sps.contact@agriculture.gov.au |
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