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):** Foodstuffs 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) 2023/981 amending Regulation (EU) No 37/2010 as regards the classification of the substance praziquantel with respect to its maximum residue limit in foodstuffs of animal origin (Text with EEA relevance).**Language(s):** English, French and Spanish. **Number of pages:** 3  [https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/EEC/23\_09919\_00\_e.pdf](https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/EEC/23_09919_00_e.pdf" \t "_blank)  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/EEC/23_09919_00_f.pdf>  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/EEC/23_09919_00_s.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** New MRL for new target tissue as regards the substance praziquantel and rewording for the entry "animal species" already existing. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [****X]****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)*:**  **[****]** **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)*:** 17 May 2023  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 22 May 2023 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [****]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** Twenty days after publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.  **[****]** **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](mailto:sps@ec.europa.eu) |
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