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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>PHILIPPINES</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Department of Agriculture (DA), Bureau of Agriculture and Fisheries Standards (BAFS)
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): Coconut
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Draft Philippine National Standard (PNS) Code of Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) for Coconut. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 34 http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/PHL/17_3564_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: The Philippine National Standard (PNS) Code of Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) for Coconut intends to provide guidelines in the production and primary processing of coconut. The practices enumerated in the Standard are aimed towards prevention and reduction of risk occurrences, which include those of food safety, environmental impact, worker's health, safety, and welfare, and product quality.
7. Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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:

<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. [] Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 10 October 2017 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:</p> <p>Office of the Director Policy Research Service Department of Agriculture Elliptical Road, Diliman Quezon City Tel: +(632) 926 7439 Fax: +(632) 928 0590 E-mail: spspilipinas@da.gov.ph</p> <p>or</p> <p>Bureau of Agriculture and Fisheries Standards BPI Compound, Visayas Avenue, Diliman Quezon City Tel: +(632) 455 0031 +(632) 455 2858 +(632) 455 2856 Fax: +(632) 455 0031 E-mail: bafs@da.gov.ph Website: http://bafs.da.gov.ph</p>
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