NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Kingdom of Saudi Arabia**If applicable, name of local government involved:**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Saudi Food and Drug Authority (SFDA) |
| **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):** Frozen and processed fruits and vegetables |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:****[ ]** **All trading partners** **[****X] Specific regions or countries:** Kerala State, India |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Notice of Administrative Order of Saudi Food and Drug Authority Ref. No. 56039 dated 2 June 2018 (18/09/1439 AH) entitled "Temporary ban on the importation of frozen and processed fruits and vegetables" originating from Kerala State, India. **Language(s):** . **Number of pages:**  |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** Based on the outbreaks of Nipah virus reported by the World Health Organization (WHO) in Kerala State, India, the import of frozen and processed fruits and vegetables from Kerala State, India to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia is temporarily suspended. |
| **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.** | **Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action:** Outbreaks of Nipah virus have been reported in Kerala State, India by the World Health Organization (WHO). Therefore, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia is instituting this emergency measure to prevent the introduction of Nipah virus into the country. |
| **9.** | **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:**  |
| **10.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:**   |
| **11.** | **Date of entry into force (*dd/mm/yy*)/period of application (as applicable):** 2 June 2018 (18/09/1439 AH)**[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure**  |
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