NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** URUGUAY  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** *Ministerio de Ganadería, Agricultura y Pesca* (Ministry of Livestock, Agriculture and Fisheries) |
| **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):** *In vitro* banana (*Musa* spp.) plants and fresh bananas |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[ ] All trading partners**  **[X] Specific regions or countries:** Argentina; Brazil; Paraguay |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** *Proyecto de Decreto que incorpora al ordenamiento jurídico nacional la Resolución MERCOSUR/GMC No 7/23 "Requisitos fitosanitarios para Musa spp. (banana) según país de destino y origen para los Estados Partes del MERCOSUR (Derogación Resolución GMC No 23/16)"* (Draft Decree incorporating into national law Resolution MERCOSUR/GMC No. 7/23, "Phytosanitary requirements for *Musa* spp. (banana), according to country of destination and origin, for MERCOSUR States parties (Repeal of GMC Resolution No. 23/16)") **Language(s):** Spanish **Number of pages:** 9  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/URY/24_04688_00_s.pdf>  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/URY/24_04688_01_s.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The notified draft Decree updates the phytosanitary requirements for the importation of *in vitro* banana plants and fresh bananas for trade among MERCOSUR States parties. It also repeals GMC Resolution No. 23/16 on the same subject, approved by Resolution No. 60/018 of the Directorate-General of Agricultural Services of the Ministry of Livestock, Agriculture and Fisheries. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [ ] food safety, [ ] animal health, [X] 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 Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:**  **[X] International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM No.)*:**   * ISPM No. 1: Phytosanitary principles for the protection of plants and the application of phytosanitary measures in international trade * ISPM No. 2: Guidelines for pest risk analysis * ISPM No. 11: Pest risk analysis for quarantine pests * ISPM No. 20: Guidelines for a phytosanitary import regulatory system   **[ ] 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)*:** To be determined  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined  **[X] Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [ ] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** These requirements apply only to trade with Argentina, Brazil and Paraguay, which have already agreed to the phytosanitary measures in force, the tendency of which is to facilitate trade. Nevertheless, any queries or requests for information may be sent to the contact addresses provided in this notification.  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and email address (if available) of other body:**  *Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores* (Ministry of Foreign Affairs)  *Dirección General para Asuntos Económicos Internacionales* (Directorate-General for International Economic Affairs)  *Dirección de Organismos Económicos Internacionales* (International Economic Organizations Department)  Colonia 1206, 4° piso  Montevideo  Tel.: (+598) 2902 0618  Fax: (+598) 2901 7413  Email: [negociaciones.organismos@mrree.gub.uy](mailto:negociaciones.organismos@mrree.gub.uy)  *Unidad de Asuntos Internacionales* (International Affairs Unit)  *Ministerio de Ganadería, Agricultura y Pesca* (Ministry of Livestock, Agriculture and Fisheries)  Constituyente 1476, tercer piso  Montevideo, Uruguay  Tel.: (+598) 2412 6358  Fax: (+598) 2410 7205  Email: [uai@mgap.gub.uy](mailto:uai@mgap.gub.uy) |
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