NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** United States of America**If applicable, name of local government involved:**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) |
| **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):** Swine and pork products |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:****[ ]** **All trading partners** **[****X] Specific regions or countries:** China |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Notice: Addition of China to the List of Regions Affected by African Swine Fever [Docket No. APHIS-2018-0037]. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 1<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2019/03/26/2019-05680/addition-of-china-to-the-list-of-regions-affected-by-african-swine-fever> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** APHIS is advising the public that it has added China to the list of regions that it considers to be affected with African swine fever (ASF). APHIS is taking this action because of the confirmation of ASF in China.  (Federal Register Vol. 84, No. 58, Tuesday, 26 March 2019, pp. 11281-11282) |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [ ]****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)*:** 26 March 2019**Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 26 March 2019 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** 26 March 2019**[ ]** **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: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [ ]****National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:** Dr Joyce Bowling-Heyward, DVM, National Director, Regionalization Evaluation Services, Strategy and Policy, VS, APHIS, USDA, 4700 River Road Unit 39, Riverdale, MD 20737; +(301) 851 3350 |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [ ]****National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:** <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2019/03/26/2019-05680/addition-of-china-to-the-list-of-regions-affected-by-african-swine-fever> |