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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>UNITED KINGDOM</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
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): Goods subject to Article 73 of the retained Plant Health Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2016/2031) and detailed in Annex 11, Part B of the retained Phytosanitary Conditions Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2019/2072): https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2020/1527/schedule/10/made
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: Pre-notification of Goods detailed in Article 73 of the retained Plant Health Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2016/2031). Language(s): English. Number of pages: 1 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/GBR/21_5918_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: This instrument uses a power in the retained Regulation (EU) 2017/625 ("the Official Controls Regulation") to make regulations requiring the pre-notification of goods detailed in Article 73 ("Article 73 goods") of the retained Plant Health Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2016/2031), entering England, Scotland and Wales (Great Britain). Such a requirement will apply to 1% of imports of Article 73 goods, selected for phytosanitary import checks, from all countries. Please see section 3 for a link to the list of Article 73 goods. This measure will provide information on the movement of these goods, which will allow for better targeting of inspections, to determine whether they present a biosecurity risk. All other regulated plant and plant product commodities need to be pre-notified before arriving in Great Britain. The notified document ("Article 73 pre-notification") sets out the legal basis for implementing this measure in GB legislation. As a draft of the legislation is not yet available, we are using this document to notify WTO Members of our intention.
7. Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input checked="" 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):

<p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 8 February 2022</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 8 February 2022</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 July 2022</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 21 November 2021</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>UK SPS Contact Point, Defra, Nobel House, London SW1P 3JR E-mail: UKSPS@defra.gov.uk</p>
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