



NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1. Notifying Member: <u>THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine, Council of Agriculture
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): Seeds of <i>Solanum</i> spp. and <i>Capsicum</i> spp.
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: Emergency measures for <i>Solanum</i> spp. and <i>Capsicum</i> spp. seeds. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 1 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/TPKM/21_1011_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: The emergency phytosanitary measures for the importation of <i>Solanum</i> spp. and <i>Capsicum</i> spp. seeds are proposed to mitigate the biosecurity risk posed by four viruses and six viroids: <i>Tomato yellow leaf curl virus</i> (TYLCV), <i>Tomato brown rugose fruit virus</i> (ToBRFV), <i>Tomato mottle mosaic virus</i> (ToMMV), <i>Pepino mosaic virus</i> (PepMV), <i>Columnnea latent viroid</i> (CLVd), <i>Potato spindle tuber viroid</i> (PSTVd), <i>Tomato apical stunt viroid</i> (TASVd), <i>Tomato chlorotic dwarf viroid</i> (TCDVd), <i>Tomato planta macho viroid</i> (TPMVd) and <i>Pepper chat fruit viroid</i> (PCFVd). The emergency measures to regulate these viruses and viroids on the seeds are as follows: The importation of the seeds of <i>Solanum</i> spp. and <i>Capsicum</i> spp. shall be accompanied by the phytosanitary certificate issued by the plant quarantine authority of the exporting country which states that seeds have been laboratory tested before exporting and found free from <i>Tomato yellow leaf curl virus</i> (TYLCV), <i>Tomato brown rugose fruit virus</i> (ToBRFV), <i>Tomato mottle mosaic virus</i> (ToMMV), <i>Pepino mosaic virus</i> (PepMV), <i>Columnnea latent viroid</i> (CLVd), <i>Potato spindle tuber viroid</i> (PSTVd), <i>Tomato apical stunt viroid</i> (TASVd), <i>Tomato chlorotic dwarf viroid</i> (TCDVd), <i>Tomato planta macho viroid</i> (TPMVd) and <i>Pepper chat fruit viroid</i> (PCFVd); otherwise, the seeds will be destroyed or reshipped.
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.

<p>8. Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action: The emergency measures aim to prevent the introduction of above-mentioned viruses and viroids, which are associated with <i>Solanum</i> spp. and <i>Capsicum</i> spp. which are hosts even imported as seeds. This decision is based on recent interceptions at the border of some viruses and viroids above-mentioned on tomato, eggplant and capsicum seeds imported into the Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu and relevant scientific evidence.</p>
<p>9. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): IPPC Article 7, ISPM No. 13</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input checked="" 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>10. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p>
<p>11. Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable): 23 February 2021</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine, Council of Agriculture 9F, No.100, Sec. 2, Heping W. Rd., Zhongzheng Dist., Taipei City, 10070, Taiwan Tel: +(886) 2 3343 2091 Fax: +(886) 2 2332 2200 E-mail: wtosps@mail.baphiq.gov.tw</p>
<p>13. Text(s) available from: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine, Council of Agriculture 9F, No.100, Sec. 2, Heping W. Rd., Zhongzheng Dist., Taipei City, 10070, Taiwan Tel: +(886) 2 3343 2091 Fax: +(886) 2 2332 2200 E-mail: wtosps@mail.baphiq.gov.tw</p>