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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

<p>1. Notifying Member: <u>THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU</u></p> <p>If applicable, name of local government involved:</p>
<p>2. Agency responsible: Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine, Council of Agriculture</p>
<p>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): The plant regulated articles subject to post-entry quarantine (hereinafter referred to as "PEQ") regulated by Article 14 of the "Plant Protection and Quarantine Act"</p>
<p>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:</p>
<p>5. Title of the notified document: The draft of the "Regulations of Plant Regulated Articles Subject to Post-Entry Quarantine" Language(s): Chinese Number of pages: 6</p> <p>http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2015/SPS/CHT/15_0539_00_x.pdf</p>
<p>6. Description of content: The relevant regulations (the application procedures, the requirements for PEQ, the procedures of PEQ...etc.) for the plant regulated articles subject to PEQ was drafted. The summary was listed below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The plant regulated articles subject to PEQ are the living plants or propagates (excluding seeds and fruits) of designated plant species. They shall be conducted with PEQ for a designated quarantine period requested by the BAPHIQ. Before importing the plant regulated articles subject to PEQ, the importer should apply for the import permit to the BAPHIQ;2. The PEQ should be conducted at certain PEQ stations designated by the BAPHIQ or provided by importers that have been approved by the BAPHIQ. The PEQ station may consist of the field site, glasshouse, or screen house and the establishment requirements are:<ol style="list-style-type: none">A. For field site:<ol style="list-style-type: none">1) It should have fences for providing adequate isolation;2) The plants of the same Family should not be planted within 50 meters around;3) The entrance should be able to be kept locked, and the access of personnel and vehicles is controlled by the authorized persons;B. For glasshouse or screen house:<ol style="list-style-type: none">1) The facilities should consist of a roof made by transparent glass or plastic and surrounded by glass, plastic material, or screening with openings no larger than 0.6 mm. All vents should be covered with screening with openings no larger than 0.6 mm. The ground should be free of weeds and soil;

<p>2) The entrance should be able to be kept locked, and the access of personnel is controlled by the authorized persons;</p> <p>3. The plant regulated articles subject to PEQ should not be moved out from the PEQ station without official permission during the quarantine period. The inspectors would be dispatched by the BAPHIQ to audit the growth status and the incidence of pests;</p> <p>4. The plant regulated articles may be released from the PEQ station only if they are found to be free from regulated pests. Otherwise, the plant regulated articles will be destroyed if there is no appropriate quarantine treatment;</p> <p>5. In addition, the plants or plant products infested by pests that could not be identified immediately at the point-of-entry, and the species of plant or propagates that could not be identified immediately at the point-of-entry may also be subjected to PEQ.</p>
<p>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>
<p>8. 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) ISPM No. 1, 2 and 34</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <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>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: The draft of the "Regulations of Plant Regulated Articles Subject to Post-Entry Quarantine" (Council of Agriculture Announcement, Nong Fang Zi No. 1031493954A dated on 24 November 2014) can be found at: http://www.coa.gov.tw/ (available in Chinese)</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. <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): 28 March 2015</p> <p>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 (R.O.C.) Tel: +(886) 2 3343 2091 Fax: +(886) 2 2332 2200 E-mail: wtosps@mail.baphiq.gov.tw</p>

13. Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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