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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU

If applicable, name of local government involved:

- 2. Agency responsible: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Agency, Ministry 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): Fresh apples
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [] All trading partners
 - [X] Specific regions or countries: Canada
- 5. Title of the notified document: Draft of the "Quarantine requirements for the importation of fresh apples from Canada". Language(s): English. Number of pages: 1

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/TPKM/24_01614_00_e.pdf

- 6. **Description of content:** The draft regulates the quarantine requirements for the importation of apples from Canada. Fresh Canadian apples shall be subject to a systems approach including registration of supplying orchards and packinghouses, releasing sterile codling moth, pre-selection procedures, and export inspection. The importing fresh apples would also have to be accompanied by a phytosanitary certificate issued by the national plant protection organization of Canada declaring that the regulated measures addressed in this draft quarantine requirements are met.
- 7. Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [] animal health, [X] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [X] 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):
 - [X] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): ISPM No. 14 and No. 24
 - [] 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:

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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. [] Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 27 April 2024
	Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:
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