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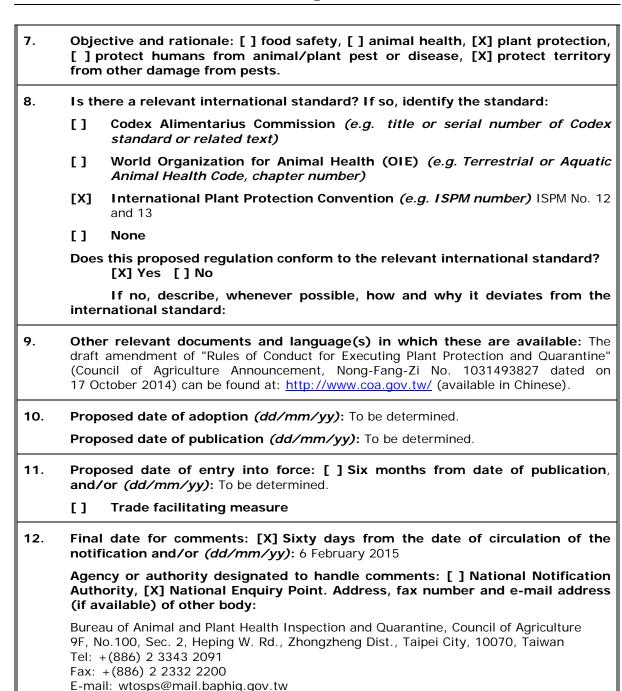
## **Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures**

## NOTIFICATION

- 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): Plants, plant products and other regulated articles
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
  - [X] All trading partners
  - [] Specific regions or countries:
- 5. Title of the notified document: The draft amendment of the "Rules of Conduct for Executing Plant Protection and Quarantine" Language(s): Chinese Number of pages: 6
  - http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2014/sps/CHT/14\_5335\_00\_x.pdf
- 6. **Description of content:** The main purpose of this amendment is to adjust the hierarchy of rules for some phytosanitary requirements in order to improve the regulatory framework of plant protection and quarantine. In this draft, three articles were added, eight articles were revised, and three articles were deleted. The deleted articles of this amendment were moved to the "Plant Protection and Quarantine Act" (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and the relevant regulations authorized by the Act.

The contents of the added articles are:

- a. Regulations for the import consignments accompanied by the fraudulent phytosanitary certificate or the phytosanitary certificate with unauthorized modifications. The involved consignments will be destroyed or reshipped.
- b. The current requirements regarding the importation of the following articles should be accompanied by the phytosanitary certificate and was moved to this draft as following:
  - (i) The prohibited plants or plant products that are regulated in the quarantine requirements;
  - (ii) The designated plants or plant products that are regulated by other competent authorities.
- c. The importer or the representative agent should provide the labour services during the inspection procedure (such as moving the consignments).



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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