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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): Designated plant regulated articles or other articles regulated by Article 14 and Article 15 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 amendment of the "Regulations for Approving Imports of Designated Plant Regulated Articles or Other Articles" Language(s): Chinese Number of pages: 9</p>
<p>6. Description of content: The designated plant regulated articles or other articles (hereinafter referred to as "designated plant regulated articles") are only permitted to be imported for the purposes of experiment, research, education or exhibition use. This amendment adjusted the hierarchy of phytosanitary rules in order to improve the regulatory framework of plant protection and quarantine. In this draft, one article was added, nine articles were revised, and one article was deleted.</p> <p>The deleted article of this amendment regarding the qualification of the importer and the permitted purpose for the importation was moved to the "Plant Protection and Quarantine Act". The added article states the requirements for the importation of <i>Drosophila melanogaster</i> for research use.</p> <p>The contents of the revised articles are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">The requisite dossier of the importer for the import application of designated plant regulated articles.The valid period of the import permit and the utilization of the designated plant regulated articles.The obligation of the importer to declare the designated plant regulated articles upon arrival and provide the transportation of the designated plant regulated articles.The requirements for the verified utilization of the designated plant regulated articles and the containment facility.The requirement for extending the validity of the verified period for using the designated plant regulated articles.

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.
8.	<p>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>
9.	<p>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: The draft amendment of the "Regulations for Approving Imports of Designated Plant Regulated Articles or other Articles" (Council of Agriculture Announcement, Nong-Fang-Zi No. 1031494020A dated on 25 October 2014) can be found at: http://www.coa.gov.tw/ (available in Chinese).</p>
10.	<p>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 9 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 Tel: +(886) 2 3343 2091 Fax: +(886) 2 2332 2200 E-mail: wtosps@mail.baphiq.gov.tw</p>
13.	<p>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>