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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

- 1. **Notifying Member**: THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU
 - 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): Animals and animal products
- 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:** Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of Animals and Animal Products **Language(s):** English **Number of pages:** 2
 - http://www.baphiq.gov.tw/files/web_articles_files/baphiq/14844/9293.pdf http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/SPS/TPKM/16_1004_00_e.pdf
- **6. Description of content:** The Requirements regulate the importation of animals and animal products. The amendments include Articles 2 and 6 of the Requirements and are summarized as follows; the rest of the Requirements remain unchanged:
 - 1. For animals originating from a disease-free country (zone), but transshipped (with change of vehicles) in an infected country (zone) during transportation, they shall be deemed as originating from an infected country (zone). This does not apply to animals protected by appropriate risk mitigation measures which allow them to obtain prior permission granted by the central competent authority.
 - For animal products with risk assessment completed and concluded that there is no
 risk of disease transmission, with appropriate risk control measures taken and prior
 approval by the CCA for importation, these animal products may be imported from
 countries (zones) recognized as infected with specific animal diseases.
- 7. Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [X] animal health, [] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] 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)
 - [X] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number) OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code chapter 2.1

	[] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number)[] 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:
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: http://www.baphiq.gov.tw/files/web_articles_files/baphiq/14844/8279.pdf (available in Chinese)
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 1 June 2016
	Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 1 June 2016
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: [X] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):
	[] Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 15 May 2016
	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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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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