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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): Bovine serum
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [] All trading partners
 - [X] Specific regions or countries: United States of America
- 5. Title of the notified document: Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of Bovine Serum from the United States. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 2
 http://www.baphiq.gov.tw/view.php?catid=15718
 http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/SPS/TPKM/16 4653 00 e.pdf
- **6. Description of content:** The Requirements regulate the importation of bovine serum from the United States. The main points of the amendments are:
 - 1. For bovine serum from the United States, only that which is manufactured by designated serum processing facilities is eligible to be imported into Chinese Taipei. The list of designated serum processing facilities must be provided by the government of the United States to the animal guarantine authority for reviewing;
 - 2. The age restriction of the source cattle is proposed to be lifted. When bovine serum is collected during slaughtering, it must be collected from cattle which pass ante-and post-mortem inspections by the competent authority of the country where the slaughterhouse is located. In addition, prior to slaughter, the cattle must not be subjected to a stunning process with a device injecting compressed air or gas into the cranial cavity nor to a pithing process; and
 - 3. If the serum is not collected during slaughtering, it must be collected from cattle which are found to be in healthy conditions after clinical examinations.
- 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 11.4.1

	[] 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:
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 6 January 2017
	Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 6 January 2017
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 6 January 2017
	[] Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 8 January 2017
	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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