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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: Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine, Council of Agriculture Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national 3. schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Plants and plant products 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: All trading partners [X] [] Specific regions or countries: 5. Title of the notified document: Draft amendment of the "Quarantine Regulations for Trans-shipment of Plants or Plant Products through Countries or Districts where Designated Diseases or Pests are Known to Occur". Language(s): English. Number of pages: 1 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/TPKM/18 4020 00 e.pdf 6. Description of content: The "Quarantine Regulations for Trans-shipment of Plants or Plant Products through Countries or Districts where Designated Diseases or Pests are Known to Occur" (hereinafter referred to as the Regulations) is authorized by Article 21-1 of the "Plant Protection and Quarantine Act" (hereinafter referred to as the Act). In accordance with the amendment of Article 14 of the Act on 20 June 2018, we amended the authorization basis and related articles of the Regulations. The relevant control measures for the transshipment of plants or plant products remain the same. 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): International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): ISPM No. 2 [X] [] 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: Draft amendment of the "Quarantine Regulations for Trans-shipment of Plants or Plant Products through Countries or Districts where Designated Diseases or Pests are Known to Occur" (Council of Agriculture Announcement, Nong Fang Zi No. 1071493848A dated 23 July 2018) can be found at: <u>http://www.coa.gov.tw/</u> (available in Chinese) 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): 25 September 2018 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: Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine 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.baphig.gov.tw 13. Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine 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