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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, received on 13 June 2018, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of Australia.

Amended import requirements for retorted goods for human consumption – amendment of date that the measure comes into force

Australia has, in line with SPS notifications G/SPS/N/AUS/391 (10 August 2016), G/SPS/N/AUS/391/Corr.1 (11 August 2016) and G/SPS/N/AUS/391/Add.1 (3 January 2018), changed the import requirements for retorted goods for human consumption. From 1 July 2018 consignments of retorted goods for human consumption will be required to be accompanied by government certification. Previously a combination of government endorsed manufacturers' declarations and government certificates was required. An import permit remains a requirement for the importation of retorted goods into Australia.

The new import conditions for retorted goods for human consumption are available through the Australian Government Department of Agriculture and Water Resources Biosecurity Import Conditions system (BICON) at: <https://bicon.agriculture.gov.au/BiconWeb4.0/>.

This addendum concerns a:

- Modification of final date for comments
- Notification of adoption, publication or entry into force of regulation
- Modification of content and/or scope of previously notified draft regulation
- Withdrawal of proposed regulation
- Change in proposed date of adoption, publication or date of entry into force
- Other: Amendment of the date the measure comes into force – now 1 July 2018.

Comment period: (If the addendum extends the scope of the previously notified measure in terms of products and/or potentially affected Members, a new deadline for receipt of comments should be provided, normally of at least 60 calendar days. Under other circumstances, such as extension of originally announced final date for comments, the comment period provided in the addendum may vary.)

- Sixty days from the date of circulation of the addendum to the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable

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