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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: AUSTRALIA If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment
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): Dairy products
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Updates to sanitary Certificates for dairy exports from Australia. Language(s): English. Number of pages:
6. Description of content: Australia is replacing the current Export Documentation System (EXDOC) with a new system called the Next Export Documentation System (NEXDOC). NEXDOC is designed to make Australia's export documentation system more secure and responsive to changes in trade conditions. The new system will be first rolled out for dairy certificates. The planned changes do not affect the agreed conditions or attestations for market access, bilaterally agreed information about the consignment details or the department's regulatory controls over exports. Australia is adding a Quick Response Code (QR) as an added security feature enabling border officials an additional security check to confirm authenticity of the certificate in real-time. With this added security, certificates will no longer be issued on security paper. Any references to former department names (i.e. DAFF (Department of Agriculture Forestry and Fisheries), Department of Agriculture, Australian Quarantine and Inspection Services etc.) in mutually agreed endorsements/attestations will be replaced with 'Australian Government'. Where official seals have been previously agreed, any reference to 'DAFF' or 'Australia PI seals' within endorsements/attestations will be replaced with the word 'seal' or 'Australian Government seal'. Australia's updated dairy export certificates will be issued from 17 May 2021. There will be a four-week transition period where certificates from the department's current system (EXDOC) and NEXDOC may be issued. This means there will be a period where both types of certificates will be presented to border officials for clearance of goods.
7. Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.

<p>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): CCFICS CAC/GL 38-2001</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): Terrestrial Animal Health Code Chapter 5</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><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>
<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 17 May 2021</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 17 May 2021</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 17 May 2021</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" 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>The Australian SPS Notification Authority GPO Box 858 Canberra ACT 2601 Australia E-mail: sps.contact@awe.gov.au</p>
<p>13. Text(s) available from: <input checked="" 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>The Australian SPS Notification Authority GPO Box 858 Canberra ACT 2601 Australia E-mail: sps.contact@awe.gov.au</p>