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## **Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures**

## **NOTIFICATION**

- Notifying Member: <u>CANADA</u>
  If applicable, name of local government involved:
- 2. Agency responsible: Health Canada
- 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): Copper sulphate (ICS Code: 67.220.20)
- 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:** Notice of Modification to the *List of Permitted Food Additives with Other Accepted Uses* to Enable the Use of Copper Sulphate in Preserved Duck Eggs Reference Number: NOM/ADM-0106. **Language(s):** English and French. **Number of pages:** 3 and 4

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/CAN/17 4943 00 e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/CAN/17 4943 00 f.pdf

**6. Description of content:** Health Canada's Food Directorate completed a detailed safety assessment of a food additive submission seeking approval for the use of copper sulphate in the manufacture of preserved duck eggs.

Copper sulphate is already permitted for use in Canada as a food additive, more specifically as a fining agent in wine. The intended use of copper sulphate in the manufacturing process of preserved duck eggs is to improve consistency in achieving the desired characteristics of the finished product.

As no safety concerns were raised through Health Canada's assessment, the Department has enabled the use of the food additive copper sulphate described in the information document below by updating the *List of Permitted Food Additives with Other Accepted Uses* (https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/food-safety/food-additives/lists-permitted/8-other-accepted-uses.html), effective 6 October 2017.

The purpose of this communication is to publically announce the Department's decision in this regard and to provide the appropriate contact information for any inquiries or for those wishing to submit any new scientific information relevant to the safety of this food additive.

7. Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [ ] animal health, [ ] plant protection, [ ] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ] protect territory from other damage from pests.

