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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1. Notifying Member: <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: European Commission, Health and Food Safety Directorate-General
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): Live animals of the Order Caudata, HS Code(s): 01069000
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: Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/320 of 28 February 2018 on certain animal health protection measures for intra-Union trade in salamanders and the introduction into the Union of such animals in relation to the fungus <i>Batrachochytrium salamandrivorans</i> (Text with EEA relevance). Language(s): English, French, Spanish . Number of pages: 16 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/EEC/18_1566_00_e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/EEC/18_1566_00_f.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/EEC/18_1566_00_s.pdf
6. Description of content: Animal health protection measures for intra-Union trade in consignments of salamanders and the introduction of such consignments into the Union on the taxonomic order of Caudata, in order to ensure that the fungus <i>Batrachochytrium salamandrivorans</i> (Bsal) is not spread by such international trade in those animals. These measures take into account risk mitigation measures referred to in an EFSA Assistance (see below under point 9) and in particular provide for the appropriate quarantine, diagnostic testing and treatment of salamanders as well as for certification of their health status for their trade in and introduction into the Union. These measures are of temporary and emergency nature. A list of non-EU countries authorised for introduction into the Union of consignments of salamanders is also established.
7. Objective and rationale: <input 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.
8. Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action: Urgent measures to protect susceptible species in the EU from Bsal.

<p>9. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input 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>10. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) Scientific and technical assistance concerning the survival, establishment and spread of <i>Batrachochytrium salamandrivorans</i> (Bsal) in the EU, EFSA Journal 2017;15(2):4739.</p> <p>http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.2903/j.efsa.2017.4739/full</p>
<p>11. Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable): 25 March 2018</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. 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>European Commission DG Health and Food Safety, Unit D2-Multilateral International Relations Rue Froissart 101 B-1049 Brussels Tel: +(32 2) 295 4263 Fax: +(32 2) 299 8090 E-mail: sps@ec.europa.eu</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>European Commission DG Health and Food Safety, Unit D2-Multilateral International Relations Rue Froissart 101 B-1049 Brussels Tel: +(32 2) 295 4263 Fax: +(32 2) 299 8090 E-mail: sps@ec.europa.eu</p>