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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

- 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, products of animal origin, animal by-products, germinal products, composite products, hay and straw, food and feed of non-animal origin, plants, plant products and other objects
- 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: Commission Delegated Regulation supplementing Regulation (EU) 2017/625 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards rules for official controls of consignments of animals and goods in transit, transhipment and onward transportation through the Union, and amending Commission Regulations (EC) No 798/2008, (EC) No 1251/2008, (EC) No 119/2009, (EU) No 206/2010, (EU) No 605/2010, (EU) No 142/2011, (EU) No 28/2012, Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/759 and Commission Decision 2007/777/EC (Text with EEA relevance). Language(s): English. Number of pages: 35

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/EEC/19 5652 00 e.pdf

6. Description of content: It follows from Regulation (EU) 2017/625 on official controls and other official activities performed to ensure the application of requirements of animal health and welfare, plant health, food and feed, that certain consignments of animals, products of animal origin, animal by-products, germinal products, composite products, hay and straw, food and feed of non-animal origin, plants, plant products and other objects should be subject to specific official controls at the border control posts.

This draft Delegated Regulation lays down:

- the cases and conditions under which onward transportation may be authorised by the border control posts of consignments of food and feed of non-animal origin, plants, plant products and other objects to the place of final destination pending the availability of the results of physical checks;
- specific time limits and control arrangements at the border control posts on consignments of animals, products of animal origin, animal by-products, germinal products, composite products, hay and straw, plants, plant products and other objects entering the Union by sea or by air transport from a third country, when those consignments are moved from a vessel or aircraft and are transported under customs supervision to another vessel or aircraft in the same port or airport in preparation for onward travel to third country or another European Union country;

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the cases and conditions under which documentary checks, identity checks and physical checks should be performed at the border control posts of consignments of animals arriving by air or sea and staying on the same means of transport and which are intended for onward travel to third country or another European Union country; the cases and conditions under which transit of consignments of animals, products of animal origin, animal by-products, germinal products, composite products, hay and straw, plants, plant products and other objects may be authorised by the border control posts and certain official controls to be performed on such consignments, including during the storage in approved warehouses or in free zones. 7. Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [X] animal health, [X] plant protection, [X] 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): [] [X] None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? []Yes []No If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: 9. 10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): December 2019 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): December 2019 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): Twenty days after publication in the Official Journal of the European Union. [] Trade facilitating measure 12. Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Forty days from the date of circulation of the notification. Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: **European Commission** DG Health and Food Safety, Unit D2-Multilateral International Relations Rue Froissart 101 B-1049 Brussels Tel: +(32 2) 29 54263 Fax: +(32 2) 29 98090 E-mail: sps@ec.europa.eu

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