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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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): All food
- 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: Draft Commission Regulation amending Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/625 as regards import conditions for live snails, for composite products and for casings placed on the market for human consumption. Language(s): English . Number of pages: 5

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/EEC/20 5867 00 e.pdf

6. Description of content: The revision aims at adapting the Delegated Regulation (EC) No 2019/625 with regard to requirements for the entry into the Union of consignments of certain animals and goods intended for human consumption to introduce import conditions for live snails that are intended for human consumption as for processed snails. To ensure the protection of the health of European consumers there is a need to list authorised third countries exporting live snails in the European Union. An official certificate shall accompany such consignments

The amendment also adds Harmonized System codes for composite products, clarifies the categories of composite products accompanied by a certificate, and adapts the import conditions for casings with regard to the raw materials they are derived from.

- 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.
- 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

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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:

- **9.** Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/625. Latest consolidated version, available in all languages of the European Union at <u>https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legalcontent/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32019R0625</u>
- **10. Proposed date of adoption (***dd/mm/yy***):** 1st quarter 2021 (provisional, pending on the adoption of the mentioned Codex codes of practice).

Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)***:** 1st quarter 2021 (provisional, pending on the adoption of the mentioned Codex codes of practice).

11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 20 days after publication in the Official Journal of the European Union. Requirements on casings and composite products shall apply from 21 April 2021.

[] Trade facilitating measure

12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 1 December 2020

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