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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Health and Welfare
<b>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):</b> General foods, canned foods, ice products, infant foods, frozen foods, bottled and packaged drinking water and beverage (A total of 7 standards were revised)
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Draft of sanitation standard for general foods;</li><li>- Draft of sanitation standard for the microbiological in canned foods;</li><li>- Draft of sanitation standard for the microbiological in ice products;</li><li>- Draft of sanitation standard for the microbiological in infant foods;</li><li>- Draft of sanitation standard for microbiological in frozen foods;</li><li>- Draft of sanitation standard for the microbiological in bottled and packaged drinking water;</li><li>- Draft of sanitation standard for the microbiological in beverage.</li></ul> <b>Language(s):</b> Chinese and English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 19 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/TPKM/18_2386_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/TPKM/18_2386_00_e.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/TPKM/18_2386_00_x.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/TPKM/18_2386_00_x.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/TPKM/18_2386_01_x.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/TPKM/18_2386_01_x.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> A total of 7 standards were revised. Due to the setting of "Sanitation standard for contaminants and toxins in food" (will be announced separately), the provisions concerning heavy metals, mycotoxins and other contaminants/toxins in these 7 standards are deleted and only the requirements for microorganisms are retained.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input 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.
<b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):

<p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b></p>
<p><b>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b>  The 7 draft standards (MOHW Food No.1071300470, 8 May 2018) are available in English from the National Notification Authority, National Enquiry Point, and Ministry of Health and Welfare. The standards will be published in the Official Government Gazette when adopted. The full text may be downloaded from the following website: <a href="http://www.fda.gov.tw/eng/index.aspx">http://www.fda.gov.tw/eng/index.aspx</a> (available in Chinese)</p>
<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 14 July 2018</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. <b>Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>Food and Drug Administration  Ministry of Health and Welfare  No.161-2, Kunyang St, Nangang District, Taipei City 115-61, Taiwan  Tel: +(886 2) 2787 8000 ext. 7317  Fax: +(886 2) 2653 1062  E-mail: katty@fda.gov.tw</p>
<p><b>13. Text(s) available from:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. <b>Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>Food and Drug Administration  Ministry of Health and Welfare  No.161-2, Kunyang St, Nangang District, Taipei City 115-61, Taiwan  Tel: +(886 2) 2787 8000 ext. 7317  Fax: +(886 2) 2653 1062  E-mail: katty@fda.gov.tw</p>