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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: EUROPEAN UNION

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): Numerous positions under chapters 6 (Live trees and other plants), 7 (Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers), 8 (Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruits or melons), 44 (Wood and articles of wood)

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 Implementing Regulation establishing a provisional list of high risk plants, plant products or other objects, within the meaning of Article 42 of Regulation (EU) 2016/2031 and a list of plants for which phytosanitary certificates are not required for introduction into the Union, within the meaning of Article 73 of that Regulation. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 8

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6. Description of content: This text contains the list of high-risk plants, plant products or other objects within the meaning of Article 42 of Regulation (EU) 2016/2031 and the list of plants that are exempted from carrying a phytosanitary certificate within the meaning of Article 73 of Regulation (EU) 2016/2031.

The introduction into the European Union of plants, plant products or other objects listed as high-risk plants within the meaning of Article 42 of Regulation (EU) 2016/2031 will be prohibited pending a complete risk assessment.

The list of high-risk plants, plant products and other objects contains:

- 34 genera and one species of plants for planting (*Acacia* sp., *Acer* sp., *Albizia* sp., *Alnus* sp., *Annona* sp., *Bauhinia* sp., *Berberis* sp., *Betula* sp., *Caesalpinia* sp., *Cassia* sp., *Castanea* sp., *Cornus* sp., *Corylus* sp., *Crataegus* sp., *Diospyros* sp., *Fagus* sp., *Ficus* carica, *Fraxinus* sp., *Hamamelis* sp., *Jasminum* sp., *Juglans* sp., *Ligustrum* sp., *Lonicera* sp., *Malus* sp., *Nerium* sp., *Persea* sp., *Populus* sp., *Prunus* sp., *Quercus* sp., *Robinia* sp., *Salix* sp., *Sorbus* sp., *Taxus* sp., *Tilia* sp., *Ulmus*),
- one plant (*Ullucus* tuberosus),
- one fruit (*Momordica* genus), and
- one wood (wood of Ulmus genus).

The list of plants that are exempted from carrying a phytosanitary certificate within the meaning of Article 73 of Regulation (EU) 2016/2031 contains 5 fruits: *Ananas comosus*,

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Cocos nucifera, Durio zibethinus, Musa sp., *Phoenix dactilifera*.

- 7. Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [] animal health, [X] 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*):
 - [X] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): ISPM No. 1 "Phytosanitary principles for the protection of plants and the application of phytosanitary measures in international trade"

[] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

[X] 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: Regulation (EU) 2016/2031 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 October 2016 on protective measures against pests of plants, available at: <u>https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32016R2031</u>

10. Proposed date of adoption (*dd/mm/yy***):** December 2018

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): January 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; applicable from 14 December 2019.

[] Trade facilitating measure

12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 25 November 2018

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:

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13. Text(s) available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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