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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> European Commission, Health and Food Safety Directorate-General
<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> All food
<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> Commission Regulation (EU) on maximum levels for certain contaminants in food and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006 (Text with EEA relevance). <b>Language(s):</b> English, French and Spanish. <b>Number of pages:</b> 55 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/EEC/23_09539_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/EEC/23_09539_00_e.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/EEC/23_09539_00_f.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/EEC/23_09539_00_f.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/EEC/23_09539_00_s.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/EEC/23_09539_00_s.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Commission Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006 setting maximum levels for certain contaminants in food has been amended many times. To improve the readability and clarity of this Regulation, this Regulation replaces Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006, including all subsequent amendments. All the provisions provided for in this Regulation have already been previously notified to the WTO for comments. This draft Regulation does not change in substance these previously notified comments and is therefore mainly notified for information.
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b> CDS 193-1995 General Standard for Contaminants and Toxins in Food and Feed <input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b> <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

<p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b> Certain provisions are aligned with the Codex standard CXS 193-1995, other provisions are not aligned with the Codex standard CXS 193-1995, while most provisions are not yet covered by CXS 193-1995. How and why certain provisions deviate from the CXS 193-1995, have been explained at the occasion of previous notifications and replies have been provided to comments received (see information provided under point 6).</p>
<p><b>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p>
<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> 25 April 2023  <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> 5 May 2023</p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.  <b>[ ] Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments: [ ] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> Not applicable  <b>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:</b>    European Commission  DG Health and Food Safety, Unit A4-Multilateral International Relations  Rue Froissart 101  B-1049 Brussels  Tel: +(32 2) 29 54263  E-mail: <a href="mailto:sps@ec.europa.eu">sps@ec.europa.eu</a></p>
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