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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

Addendum

The following communication, received on 7 October 2020, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of <u>Australia</u>.

Notification of emergency measures for Khapra beetle

On 4 August 2020, Australia issued a SPS notification (G/SPS/N/AUS/502) informing trading partners of its intention to implement emergency measures to high-risk plant products that are hosts of khapra beetle (*Trogoderma granarium*) to safeguard Australia against the entry, establishment and spread of this pest.

Australia will shortly commence Phase 2 of the emergency measures. From 15 October 2020, high-risk plant products (in various raw and processed forms for any end use) will not be permitted entry from any country into Australia within:

- baggage carried by international travellers; or
- mail articles (including items posted using Express Mail Service).

Failure to comply with the emergency measures will result in destruction of the goods upon arrival in Australia.

Further information on Phase 2 of the emergency measures will be outlined in the Biosecurity Import Conditions system (BICON) on the Australia's Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment (department) website: https://bicon.agriculture.gov.au/BiconWeb4.0/Home/Notice/.

Additional information on other phases under the emergency measures can be found on the department's website:

https://www.agriculture.gov.au/pests-diseases-weeds/plant/khapra-beetle/urgent-actions

Addendums to this SPS notification will be published to notify the measures and implementation dates for subsequent phases. Specific details regarding the measures will be outlined in BICON on the Australia's Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment website prior to the implementation date.

High-risk plant products

The emergency measures will be applied to the following plant products (in various raw and physically-processed forms for any end use), which have been identified as high-risk:

Rice (*Oryza sativa*), Chickpeas (*Cicer arietinum*), Cucurbit seed (*Cucurbita* spp.; *Cucumis* spp.; *Citrullus* spp.), Cumin seed (*Cuminum cyminum*), Safflower seed (*Carthamus tinctorius*), Bean seed (*Phaseolus* spp.), Soybean (*Glycine max*), Mung beans, cowpeas (*Vigna* spp.), Lentils (*Lens culinaris*), Wheat (*Triticum aestivum*), Coriander seed (*Coriandrum sativum*), Celery seed (*Apium graveolens*), Peanuts (*Arachis hypogaea*), Dried chillies/capsicum (*Capsicum* spp.), Faba bean (*Vicia faba*), Pigeon Pea (*Cajanus cajan*), Pea seed (*Pisum sativum*), and Fennel seed (*Foeniculum* spp.).

Note: exclusions apply see Urgent actions to protect against khapra beetle (Trogoderma granarium) webpage.

This addendum concerns a:

[] []	Modification of final date for comments Modification of content and/or scope of previously notified regulation
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