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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: BURUNDI

If applicable, name of local government involved:

2. Agency responsible: *Ministère de l'environnement, de l'agriculture et de l'élevage*
(Ministry of the Environment, Agriculture and Livestock)

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): Plants, plant products and regulated items

4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:

All trading partners

Specific regions or countries:

5. Title of the notified document: *Loi n° 1/23 du 23 novembre 2017 portant protection des végétaux au Burundi* (Law No. 1/23 of 23 November 2017 on plant protection in Burundi) **Language(s):** French **Number of pages:** 20

6. Description of content: The notified Law seeks to:

- Establish and implement a legal framework of protection measures concerning actions to officially control organisms that are harmful to plants, including those from third countries, and to prevent the spread of such organisms within the territory;
- increase agricultural productivity through the application of phytosanitary measures in accordance with the International Plant Protection Convention and the Agreement on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures of the World Trade Organization; and
- establish a national plant protection organization that is the authority responsible for implementing this Law, in accordance with the International Plant Protection Convention.

This Law establishes health protection for plants, plant products and regulated items through:

- The prevention and official control of pests, in terms of both the introduction and spread thereof throughout the national territory;
- the dissemination and popularization of plant protection techniques to improve plant production; and
- the provision of support for exports and imports of plants and plant products.

7. Objective and rationale: food safety, animal health, plant protection, protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, protect territory from other damage from pests.

<p>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
<p>9. Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Loi n° 1/010 du 30 juin 2000 portant Code de l'environnement de la République du Burundi;</i> - <i>Loi n° 1/10 du 23 mars 2006 portant adhésion par la République du Burundi à la Convention internationale pour la protection des végétaux, signed in Rome on 6 December 1951 and revised in November 1997;</i> - <i>Loi n° 1/08 du 30 juin 2007 portant ratification par la République du Burundi du Traité d'adhésion du Burundi à la Communauté Est africaine;</i> - <i>Loi n° 1/05 du 22 avril 2009 portant révision du Code pénal;</i> - <i>Loi n° 1/07 du 26 avril 2010 portant Code du commerce amendé par la Loi n° 1/01 du 16 janvier 2017;</i> - <i>Loi n° 1/03 du 4 janvier 2011 portant système national de normalisation, métrologie, assurance de la qualité et essais;</i> - <i>Loi n° 1/17 du 18 septembre 2011 portant commerce de faune et flore sauvage au Burundi;</i> - <i>Loi n° 1/08 du 23 avril 2012 portant organisation du secteur semencier;</i> - <i>Loi n° 1/10 du 3 avril 2013 portant révision de Procédure pénale;</i> - <i>Loi n° 1/22 du 25 juillet 2014 portant réglementation de l'action récuroire et directe de l'État et des communes contre leurs mandataires et leurs préposées;</i> - <i>Loi n° 1/07 du 15 juillet 2016 portant révision du Code forestier au Burundi;</i> - <i>Décret-Loi n° 1/017 du 31 mai 1990 portant ratification de la Convention sur la protection des végétaux entre les États membres de la Communauté économique des Pays des Grands Lacs, signed in Bukavu on 25 February 1990;</i> - <i>Décret-Loi N° 1/033 du 30 juin 1993 portant protection des végétaux au Burundi.</i>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 23 November 2017</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 21 December 2017</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 23 November 2017 (the Law entered into force as from the date of its signature)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 25 December 2018</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and email address (if available) of other body:</p>
<p>13. Text(s) available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and email address (if available) of other body:</p>