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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	<b>Notifying Member:</b> CHILE <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> <i>Ministerio de Salud, Departamento Nutrición y Alimentos</i> (Ministry of Health, Food and Nutrition Department)
3.	<b>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> Foods
4.	<b>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:
5.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> <i>Propuesta de modificación parcial del Artículo 160 del Reglamento Sanitario de los Alimentos, Decreto Supremo N° 977/96 del Ministerio de Salud</i> (Draft partial amendment to Article 160 of the Food Health Regulations, Supreme Decree No. 977/96 of the Ministry of Health) <b>Language(s):</b> Spanish <b>Number of pages:</b> 2 <a href="http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/SPS/CHL/16_3563_00_s.pdf">http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/SPS/CHL/16_3563_00_s.pdf</a>
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> The draft amendment relates to the maximum levels of mercury permitted in the following foods.  ARTICLE 160. The mercury content of the following foods must not exceed the maximum levels indicated below:  1. Non-predatory fish, including fresh and processed fish (e.g. frozen, smoked, canned, breaded): 0.5 mg/kg final product <i>Notes:</i> <i>Excludes marine-derived oils;</i> <i>Limit for methylmercury;</i> <i>It is only necessary to determine the level of methylmercury if the total mercury concentration exceeds this limit.</i>  2. Non-predatory fish, including fresh and processed fish (e.g. frozen, smoked, canned, breaded): 1 mg/kg final product <i>Covers inter alia:</i> shark ( <i>Hexanchus griseus</i> , <i>Deania calcea</i> , <i>Isurus oxyrinchus</i> , <i>Lamna nasus</i> , etc.), swordfish ( <i>Xiphias gladius</i> ), tuna ( <i>Thunnus albacares</i> , <i>Thunnus alalunga</i> , <i>Gatrophisma melampus</i> , <i>Katsuwonus pelamis</i> , <i>Thunnus obesus</i> , etc.), Patagonian toothfish ( <i>Dissostichus eleginoides</i> ). <i>Notes:</i> <i>Excludes marine-derived oils;</i> <i>Limit for methylmercury;</i> <i>It is only necessary to determine the level of methylmercury if the total mercury concentration exceeds this limit.</i>  3. Shellfish, including fresh and processed shellfish (e.g. frozen, smoked, canned, breaded): 0.5 mg/kg final product

<p><i>Note: Excludes marine-derived oils.</i></p> <p>4. Edible salt: 0.1 mg/kg final product <i>Note: See Paragraph II of Title XXIII.</i></p> <p>5. Mineral waters and packaged drinking waters: 0.001 mg/kg final product <i>Note: Expressed in mg/l.</i></p> <p>6. Dietary supplements, fortified foods, foods for athletes, foods for special diets and foods claiming to provide nutritional or health benefits which contain marine-derived DHA and EPA: 0.10 mg/kg final product</p>	
<b>7.</b>	<b>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.</b>	<p><b>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)</b> Codex Standard STAN 193, adopted in 1995, amended in 2015.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM No.)</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input checked="" 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>
<b>9.</b>	<b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b>
<b>10.</b>	<p><b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> Upon publication in the Official Journal.</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> 40 days from the date of circulation of the notification.</p>
<b>11.</b>	<p><b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): Upon publication in the Official Journal.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<b>12.</b>	<p><b>Final date for comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 30 days from the date of circulation of the notification.</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and email address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Email: sps.chile@sag.gob.cl</p>
<b>13.</b>	<p><b>Text(s) available from:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and email address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Email: sps.chile@sag.gob.cl</p>