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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, received on 20 December 2013, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of <u>Costa Rica</u>.

<u>Central American Technical Regulation (RTCA) No. 65.05.54:09: Fertilizers and soil conditioners for agricultural use</u>

The notified Technical Regulation lays down the requirements for the registration of fertilizers and soil conditioners for agricultural use.

It applies to the registration of agricultural fertilizers and soil conditioners which are manufactured, formulated, extracted from natural sources, packaged, repacked/repackaged, imported, exported, distributed and marketed in countries of the Central American region.

It does not apply to special fertilizer formulas that are used by the same country in which they are produced. The use of such formulas shall be regulated in accordance with the existing legislation of each Central American country.

http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2013/sps/CRI/13_4971_00_s.pdf (Final version)

This addendum concerns a:

[X] [X] [] []	Modification of final date for comments Notification of adoption, publication or entry into force of regulation Modification of content and/or scope of previously notified draft regulation Withdrawal of proposed regulation Change in proposed date of adoption, publication, or date of entry into force Other: Repeal of certain provisions of the national technical regulation so as to ensure consistency with the Annex to Resolution No. 314-2013 (COMIECO-EX), and modification of the normative references in the Costa Rican technical regulation as from the entry into force of the Central American Technical Regulation, in accordance with paragraph 2 of the operative part of Resolution No.
	Regulation, in accordance with paragraph 2 of the operative part of Resolution No. 314-2013.

Comment period: (If the addendum extends the scope of the previously notified measure in terms of products and/or potentially affected Members, a new deadline for receipt of comments should be provided, normally of at least 60 calendar days. Under other circumstances, such as extension of originally announced final date for comments, the comment period provided in the addendum may vary.)

[] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the addendum to the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable The notified regulation shall enter into force on 5 January 2014.

Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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