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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	<b>Notifying Member:</b> <u>ECUADOR</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> <i>Agencia Ecuatoriana de Aseguramiento de la Calidad del Agro, AGROCALIDAD</i> (Ecuadorian Agency for Agricultural Product Quality Assurance)
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> Chia ( <i>Salvia hispanica</i> ) seeds
4.	<b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries: Mexico
5.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> <i>Propuesta de requisitos fitosanitarios para la importación de granos de Chía (Salvia hispanica) para consumo, originarios de México</i> (Draft phytosanitary requirements governing the importation into Ecuador of chia ( <i>Salvia hispanica</i> ) seeds for consumption from Mexico) <b>Language(s):</b> Spanish <b>Number of pages:</b> 1 Text available at: <a href="http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/SPS/ECU/16_0568_00_s.pdf">http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/SPS/ECU/16_0568_00_s.pdf</a>
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> The notified draft text establishes the mandatory phytosanitary requirements governing the importation into Ecuador of chia ( <i>Salvia hispanica</i> ) seeds for consumption from Mexico.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input checked="" 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.
8.	<b>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission ( <i>e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text</i> ) <input type="checkbox"/> World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) ( <i>e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number</i> ) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention ( <i>e.g. ISPM number</i> ) International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM) Nos. 2 and 11 <input type="checkbox"/> None <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b>

<b>9.</b>	<b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b>
<b>10.</b>	<b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> 25 April 2016 <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> 26 April 2016
<b>11.</b>	<b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 27 April 2016 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure
<b>12.</b>	<b>Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 11 April 2016 <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Agencia Ecuatoriana de Aseguramiento de la Calidad del Agro, AGROCALIDAD Av. Eloy Alfaro y Amazonas, Edificio MAGAP, Piso 9 Quito, Ecuador Tel.: (+593) 2 256 7232 / 254 3319 / 254 8751 Fax: (+593) 2 256 7232 / 254 3319 / 254 8751 E-mail: direccion@agrocalidad.gob.ec relaciones.internacionales@agrocalidad.gob.ec
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