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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>HONG KONG, CHINA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department, the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
<b>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):</b> Equine animals
<b>4. 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:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Revised export health certificates for permanent import of horses into Hong Kong, China. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 10 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/HKG/21_1671_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/HKG/21_1671_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> An amendment to the testing requirements for equine piroplasmiasis, which requires two of the OIE manual recommended serological tests for international trade (the IFAT and cELISA) to be carried out during pre-export isolation for horses to be permanently imported into Hong Kong, China.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" 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. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): Terrestrial Animal Health Code, Chapter 12.7 - Article 12.7.2 <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <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. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b>

<b>10.</b>	<b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> 20 April 2021 <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> 3 March 2021
<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): 20 April 2021 <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure
<b>12.</b>	<b>Final date for comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 7 April 2021 <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. <b>Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b>  Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department Import and Export Division 5/F, Cheung Sha Wan Government Offices 303 Cheung Sha Wan Road; Kowloon; Hong Kong Fax: +(852) 2375 3563 E-mail: icsenquiry@afcd.gov.hk
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