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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	<b>Notifying Member:</b> <u>THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Department of Health
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> Food for human consumption
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> Act Governing Food Sanitation <b>Language(s):</b> Chinese <b>Number of pages:</b> 18 <a href="http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2013/sps/CHT/13_2410_00_x.pdf">http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2013/sps/CHT/13_2410_00_x.pdf</a>
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> Chinese Taipei President has made an announcement on amending the Act Governing Food Sanitation on 19 June 2013. Some of the key features of the new amendment are: regulations of food related industry registration, regulations for food traceability, prepackaged foods shall label the food manufacturing company, on-site inspection for high risk foods, imposes comprehensively stricter penalties on non-compliant businesses.
7.	<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.
8.	<b>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 type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number) <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b>

9.	<b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> Act Governing Food Sanitation (Presidential Decree No. Hua-Zhong-Yi-Yi-Zi-10200115241 dated 19 June 2013) can be found at: <a href="http://www.fda.gov.tw">http://www.fda.gov.tw</a> (available in Chinese)
10.	<b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> The law was enacted on 19 June 2013. <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> Not applicable
11.	<b>Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> The Act Governing Food Sanitation entered into force on 21 June 2013. Subsequent regulations will be developed later to implement different aspects of the statute. <b>[ ] Trade facilitating measure</b>
12.	<b>Final date for comments: [ ] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> Not applicable. This notice serves as information to the WTO Members. <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b>
13.	<b>Texts available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b> Food and Drug Administration Department of Health No.161-2, Kunyang St., Nangang District, Taipei City 115-61, Taiwan (R.O.C.) Tel: +(886 2) 2787 7313 Fax: +(886 2) 2653 1062 E-mail: 1587syj@fda.gov.tw