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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, received on 13 February 2014, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of <u>Turkey</u>.

Regulation on Amendment in the Regulation of Plant Quarantine

The Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock amended the Regulation on Plant Quarantine, of which notification was made by the document G/SPS/N/TUR/23, by publishing the Regulation on Amendment in the Regulation of Plant Quarantine in the Official Gazette No. 28866 dated 29 December 2013. This amendment of the regulation includes:

- Alteration in Annex-3, Plants, plant products and growing medium, introduction of which are banned. Isolated barks of *Acer macrophyllum* Pursh, *Aesculus californica* (Spach) Nutt., *Lithocarpus densiflorus* (Hook. & Arn.) Rehd., ve *Taxus brevifolia* Nutt., originating in countries where *Phytophthora ramorum* is known to exist, are forbidden entry to Turkey. This article will enter into force on the date of 29 March 2014;
- Removal of the CN codes 0901.11.00.00.00 Coffee not decaffeinated and 1801.00.00.00.11 Cocoa beans existing in Annex-5, plants and plant products that must be accompanied by a phytosanitary certificate;
- Removal of Annex-6, Entry and Exit Gates of Plant and Plant Products. This topic is regulated by Customs communique published by Official Gazette dated 5 October 2013 and numbered 28786;
- Alterations in the Articles 7, 8, 13, 15, 16 of Regulation of Plant Quarantine and corrections and amendments in some definitions in existing regulation text and Annex-4.

This addendum concerns a:

- [] 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
- [X] Other: Alteration in the implementation of the Regulation

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

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