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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) of the US Department of Agriculture (USDA)
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): Swine, pork, and pork products
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries: Mexico
5. Title of the notified document: Notice of Availability of an Evaluation of the Classical Swine Fever Status of Mexico (Docket # APHIS-2016-0038). Language(s): English. Number of pages: 2 https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2017/08/08/2017-16675/notice-of-availability-of-an-evaluation-of-the-classical-swine-fever-status-of-mexico
6. Description of content: APHIS is advising the public that it is proposing to recognize Mexico as free of classical swine fever, subject to conditions in the regulations governing the importation of live swine, pork, and pork products from certain regions into the United States. APHIS is proposing this action based on a risk evaluation that it has prepared in connection with this action and that it is making available to the public for review and comment. Federal Register Vol. 82, No 151, Tuesday, 8 August 2017, pg. 37043-37044
7. Objective and rationale: <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.
8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <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 Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:	
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 10 October 2017 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, [] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Dr Chip Wells, Senior Staff Veterinarian, Regionalization Evaluation Services, National Import Export Services, VS, APHIS, USDA, 4700 River Road, Unit 38, Riverdale, MD 20737-1231; Chip.J.Wells@aphis.usda.gov; +(301) 851 3317
13.	Text(s) available from: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, [] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2017/08/08/2017-16675/notice-of-availability-of-an-evaluation-of-the-classical-swine-fever-status-of-mexico