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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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### NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1.	<b>Notifying Member:</b> <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> European Commission  <b>Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:</b> European Commission EU-TBT Enquiry Point Fax: +(32) 2 299 80 43 E-mail: <a href="mailto:grow-eu-tbt@ec.europa.eu">grow-eu-tbt@ec.europa.eu</a> Website: <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/growth/tools-databases/tbt/">http://ec.europa.eu/growth/tools-databases/tbt/</a>
3.	<b>Notified under Article 2.9.2 [ ], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [X], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>
4.	<b>Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Organic agricultural products and food
5.	<b>Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008 as regards the electronic certificate of inspection for imported organic products and certain other elements, and Regulation (EC) No 889/2008 as regards the requirements for preserved or processed organic products and the transmission of information (16 pages and 10 pages of Annexes, in English).
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> This draft Commission Implementing Regulation amends Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008 and Regulation (EC) No 889/2008 to introduce a system of electronic certification for imports of organic products.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Import of organic food
8.	<b>Relevant documents:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Commission Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008 of 8 December 2008 laying down detailed rules for implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 as regards the arrangements for imports of organic products from third countries: <a href="http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2008:334:0025:0052:EN:PDF">http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2008:334:0025:0052:EN:PDF</a></li><li>• Commission Regulation (EC) No 889/2008 of 5 September 2008 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 on organic production and labelling of organic products with regard to organic production, labelling and control: <a href="http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32008R0889&amp;rid=1">http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32008R0889&amp;rid=1</a></li></ul>

<b>9.</b>	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> October 2016 <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> It shall apply 6 months from publication in the Official Journal of the EU
<b>10.</b>	<b>Final date for comments:</b> 60 days from notification
<b>11.</b>	<b>Texts available from: National enquiry point [ ] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:</b>  European Commission EU-TBT Enquiry Point Fax: + (32) 2 299 80 43 E-mail: <a href="mailto:grow-eu-tbt@ec.europa.eu">grow-eu-tbt@ec.europa.eu</a>  The text is available on the Website: <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/growth/tools-databases/tbt/">http://ec.europa.eu/growth/tools-databases/tbt/</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/TBT/EEC/16_2604_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/TBT/EEC/16_2604_00_e.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/TBT/EEC/16_2604_01_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/TBT/EEC/16_2604_01_e.pdf</a>