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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

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>IRELAND</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine Agriculture House Kildare Street Dublin 2 D02 WK12 Email: <a href="mailto:OriginLabelling@agriculture.gov.ie">OriginLabelling@agriculture.gov.ie</a> Website: <a href="http://www.agriculture.gov.ie">http://www.agriculture.gov.ie</a>  <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>
<b>3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>
<b>4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Fresh, chilled and frozen non-prepacked cuts of meat of swine, sheep, goats and poultry offered for sale or supply. Meat of swine, fresh, chilled or frozen. (HS: 0203), Meat of sheep or goats, fresh, chilled or frozen (HS: 0204), Meat and edible offal, of the poultry of heading 01.05, fresh, chilled or frozen (HS: 0207). Meat and meat products (ICS: 67.120.10), Poultry and eggs (ICS: 67.120.20)
<b>5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Provision of Mandatory Food Information to Consumers in Respect of Certain Non-Prepacked Meats – Regulations 2017 (16 pages, in English)
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Ireland intends to adopt national measures to cover mandatory origin labelling of fresh, chilled and frozen non pre-packed cuts of meat of swine, sheep, goats and poultry. The legislation will require Food Business Operators (FBOs) to clearly show the "country of rearing" and "country of slaughter" of any of the above products at either the point of presentation, point of sale or the point of supply. FBOs may, where they can prove to the competent authority that the meat referred to has been obtained from animals born, reared and slaughtered in one single Member State or third country, present the "origin" of the meat as (name of single Member State or third country).  The national measures require that where a FBO provides another FBO with meat, information relating to the meat is transmitted to the FBO receiving the meat in the manner prescribed in the national measures, in order to enable, when required, the provision of mandatory food information to the final consumer.

<b>7.</b>	<p><b>Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> European Commission implementing Regulation (EU) No. 1337/2013 lays down rules for the application of Regulation (EU) No. 1169/2011 as regards the indication of the country of origin or place of provenance for fresh, chilled or frozen meat of swine, sheep, goats and poultry.</p> <p>The proposed national measures build on these rules. Under Article 44 of Regulation (EU) No. 1169/2011, a Member State may adopt national measures requiring FBOs to indicate the country of origin or place of provenance of non-prepacked foods offered for sale or supply to the final consumer or another FBO.</p> <p>Quality requirements; Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection</p>
<b>8.</b>	<p><b>Relevant documents:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="https://www.fsai.ie/uploadedFiles/Legislation/Consultations/Consultation_2015_origin_nonprepackedmeat.pdf">https://www.fsai.ie/uploadedFiles/Legislation/Consultations/Consultation_2015_origin_nonprepackedmeat.pdf</a></li> <li>• <a href="https://www.fsai.ie/uploadedfiles/reg1337_2013.pdf">https://www.fsai.ie/uploadedfiles/reg1337_2013.pdf</a></li> <li>• <a href="http://www.agriculture.gov.ie/press/pressreleases/2015/july/title,83778,en.html">http://www.agriculture.gov.ie/press/pressreleases/2015/july/title,83778,en.html</a></li> </ul>
<b>9.</b>	<p><b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> To be determined</p> <p><b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> To be determined</p>
<b>10.</b>	<p><b>Final date for comments:</b> 90 days from notification</p>
<b>11.</b>	<p><b>Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:</b></p>