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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

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| 1. Notifying Member: <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u>
If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2): |
| 2. Agency responsible: European Commission
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:
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| 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [X], 5.7.1 [], other: |
| 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Food, feed, plant reproductive material, plant protection products, animals, plants, and related products. |
| 5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on official controls and other official activities performed to ensure the application of food and feed law, rules on animal health and welfare, plant health, plant reproductive material and plant protection products (COM (2013) 265 final) (160 pages in English). |
| 6. Description of content: The proposed regulation repeals Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 on official controls and repeals and amends several other pieces of European Union legislation.

The proposed regulation simplifies the overall legislative framework on official controls by integrating rules currently applicable in different areas (e.g. official controls on veterinary residues, import controls and plant health controls) into one regulation.

The proposed rules aim to reinforce the safety of the agri-food chain by strengthening the enforcement mechanisms of the relevant EU rules and by enabling a more efficient implementation of harmonised official controls, which apply in the EU, to animals, food and feed, plants, seeds and plant reproductive materials.

The consolidation of controls also includes a set of common and comprehensive rules applicable to import controls on animals and relevant goods from third countries which consolidate and simplify the existing disparate rules. |
| 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Food safety, feed safety, animal health, plant protection, protection of humans from animal/plant pests or diseases, protection of territory from damage from pests. |

8. Relevant documents:

To be repealed: Regulation (EC) No 882/2004

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2004:165:0001:0141:EN:PDF>

To be amended: Directive 98/58/EC

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:1998:221:0023:0027:EN:PDF>

Directive 1999/74/EC

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:1999:007:0012:0012:EN:PDF>

Directive 2007/43/EC

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2007:182:0019:0028:EN:PDF>

Directive 2008/119/EC

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2009:010:0007:0013:EN:PDF>

Directive 2008/120/EC

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2009:047:0005:0013:EN:PDF>

Directive 2009/128/EC

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2009:309:0071:0086:EN:PDF>

Regulation (EC) No 999/2001

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2001:147:0001:0040:EN:PDF>

Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2003:268:0001:0023:EN:PDF>

Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2003:268:0029:0043:EN:PDF>

Regulation (EC) No 1/2005

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2005:003:0001:0044:EN:PDF>

Regulation (EC) No 396/2005

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2005:070:0001:0016:EN:PDF>

Regulation (EC) No 834/2007

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2007:189:0001:0023:EN:PDF>

Regulation (EC) No 1069/2009

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2009:300:0001:0033:EN:PDF>

Regulation (EC) No 1099/2009

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2009:303:0001:0030:EN:PDF>

Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2009:309:0001:0050:EN:PDF>

Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2012:343:0001:0029:EN:PDF>

9.	Proposed date of adoption:	To be determined
	Proposed date of entry into force:	To be determined
10.	Final date for comments: 120 days from date of notification	
11.	Text available from: National enquiry point [], or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body:	
	<p>European Commission EU-TBT Enquiry Point Fax: + (32) 2 299 80 43 E-mail: mailto:eu-tbt@ec.europa.eu</p>	
	<p>The text is available on the EU-TBT Website: http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/tbt/ http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=COM:2013:0265:FIN:ES:PDF http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2013/TBT/EEC/13_2239_00_e.pdf</p>	