NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Australia  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Australian Government Department of Agriculture |
| **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):** Live domestic dogs of the species *Canis familiaris* |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[****X]** **All trading partners**  **[ ]****Specific regions or countries:** |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Review of risks associated with canine influenza virus.**Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 22 |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** Australia is implementing biosecurity measures for the control of canine influenza virus (CIV) in dogs exported to Australia from approved countries where CIV is present. These include the requirement for all approved countries where CIV is present to vaccinate dogs prior to export to Australia.  The requirement for CIV vaccination was previously implemented following the risk assessment published in November 2013 titled: *Final Policy Review: Importation of dogs and cats and their semen from approved countries*, that determined that measures were required for CIV. As a result of the identified international spread of CIV since 2013 Australia has undertaken a review of the risks and is expanding application of the measure for CIV to manage the sanitary risk.  Relevant trading partners affected by this change will be contacted directly by the Department of Agriculture about these requirements. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [ ]****food safety, [****X]****animal health, [ ]****plant protection, [ ]****protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ]****protect territory from other damage from pests.** |
| **8.** | **Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:**  **[ ]****Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:**  **[ ]****World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:**  **[ ]****International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:**  **[****X]** **None**  **Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?**  **[ ]****Yes [ ]****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)*:** 2 December 2019  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 30 August 2019 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** 2 December 2019  **[ ]****Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [ ]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** Not applicable  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [****X]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:** |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [****X]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  Texts are available at the following web address, or alternatively, from the Australian SPS Notification Point: <http://www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity/risk-analysis/memos>  The Australian SPS Notification Authority  GPO Box 858  Canberra ACT 2601  Australia  E-mail: sps.contact@agriculture.gov.au |