NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** European Union**If applicable, name of local government involved:**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** European Commission, Health and Food Safety Directorate‑General |
| **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):** HS Code(s): 0805 10; 0805 21; 0805 22; 0805 29; 0910 91 10; 0910 91 90; 0708 20; 0806 20; ex 0810 90 75; 1207 40 90; ex 0709 60 99; ex 0710 80 59; ex 1211 90 86; 1404 90 00; 0713 35 00; 0713 39 00; 0713 90 00; ex 1208 90 00; 2305 00 00; ex 2005 99 10; ex 2005 99 80; 2008 50 |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:****[ ]****All trading partners** **[****X]** **Specific regions or countries:** Argentina, Bangladesh, Bolivia, Brazil, China, Egypt, Ethiopia, Ghana, Gambia, Kenya, India, Pakistan, Madagascar, Nigeria, Senegal, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Turkey, Uganda, United States, Uzbekistan  |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/625 of 6 May 2020 amending Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1793 on the temporary increase of official controls and emergency measures governing the entry into the Union of certain goods from certain third countries implementing Regulations (EU) 2017/625 and (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council, and repealing Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/943 and Commission Implementing Decision 2014/88/EU (Text with EEA relevance).**Language(s):** English, French, Spanish. **Number of pages:** 20<https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/EEC/20_3224_00_e.pdf><https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/EEC/20_3224_00_f.pdf><https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/EEC/20_3224_00_s.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** Regulation (EU) 2019/1793 lays down rules concerning the temporary increase of official controls at the entry into the Union on certain food and feed of non-animal origin from certain third countries listed in Annex I to that Regulation and special import conditions for certain food and feed from certain third countries due to the risk of contamination by aflatoxins, pesticide residues, pentachlorophenol and dioxins and microbiological contamination, listed in Annex II to that Regulation (e.g. increased official controls and official certificate accompanied by the results of sampling and analysis in the third country).This Implementing Regulation amends Annexes I and II to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1793 by introducing the following changes:* -new listings in Annex I for increased official controls for oranges, mandarins, clementines, wilkings and similar citrus hybrids from Turkey, due to possible pesticide residues contamination, and of spice mixes from Pakistan, due to possible aflatoxin contamination;
* increase in the frequency of identity and physical checks laid down in Annex I for beans from Kenya and dried grapes and pomegranates from Turkey;
* deletion from Annex I and new listing in Annex II of *Sesamum* seeds from Sudan and Uganda and of peppers (other than sweet) from India and Pakistan;
* deletion from Annex II and inclusion in Annex I of curry leaves from India;
* deletion from Annex I of raspberries from Serbia, dried apricots and apricots, otherwise prepared or preserved from Turkey and lemons from Turkey.
* All the product descriptions in Annexes I and II to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1793 are amended to cover both raw and processed *Sesamum* seeds.
* All entries in Annexes I and II to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1793 concerning groundnuts are amended to include groundnut flours and meals.
* all the entries concerning groundnuts in Annex I to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1793 are amended to include oilcake and other solid residues, whether or not ground or in the form of pellets, resulting from the extraction of groundnut oil.
* The Combined Nomenclature (CN) codes indicated for peppers of the Capsicum species (sweet or other than sweet) from Sri Lanka and India respectively and for apricots, otherwise prepared or preserved from Uzbekistan are modified in Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1793, in order to ensure consistency with the description for these commodities in Annexes I and II to that Regulation.

In addition, this Implementing Regulation incorporates the provisions of Implementing Decision 2014/88/EU and Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/94 on the suspension of imports of foodstuffs containing or consisting of betel leaves originating in or consigned from Bangladesh and of dried beans originating from Nigeria, respectively. As a result of this consolidation, Implementing Decision 2014/88/EU and Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/94 are repealed and Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1793 no longer provide for an end of the period of validity of the said measures. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [****X]****food safety, [ ]****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:** Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1793 of 22 October 2019 on the temporary increase of official controls and emergency measures governing the entry into the Union of certain goods from certain third countries implementing Regulations (EU) 2017/625 and (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Commission Regulations (EC) No 669/2009, (EU) No 884/2014, (EU) 2015/175, (EU) 2017/186 and (EU) 2018/1660 (Text with EEA relevance.)(OJ L 277, 29.10.2019, p. 89)  |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 6 May 2020**Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 7 May 2020 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** 27 May 2020**[ ]****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:** European CommissionDG Health and Food Safety, Unit D2-Multilateral International RelationsRue Froissart 101B-1049 BrusselsTel: +(322) 29 54263Fax: +(322) 29 98090E-mail: sps@ec.europa.eu  |
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