NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Mauritius**If applicable, name of local government involved:**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Ministry of Commerce and Consumer Protection |
| **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 animals including fish only |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:****[ ]** **All trading partners** **[****X] Specific regions or countries:** People's Republic of China, Italy, Iran ,South Korea, Switzerland, Reunion Island and European Union Countries |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Communique by the Minstry of Commerce and Consumer Protection. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 1<http://commerce.govmu.org/English//DOCUMENTS/CORONAVIRUS%2016.03.2020.PDF> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Communique introduces a temporary restriction on imports of live animals, including fish from People's Republic of China, Italy, Iran ,South Korea, Switzerland, Reunion Island and European Union Countries. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [ ]****food safety, [****X] animal health, [ ]****plant protection, [****X] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ]****protect territory from other damage from pests.**  |
| **8.** | **Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action:** This decision is to prevent the introduction of the COVID-19 into the Republic of Mauritius. |
| **9.** | **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 [****X] No****If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:** The COVID-19 is a novel virus and no international standard has been developed yet. Furthermore there is no sufficient scientific information on this virus. The decision was adopted on the basis of available pertinent information. |
| **10.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** |
| **11.** | **Date of entry into force (*dd/mm/yy*)/period of application (as applicable):** 16 March 2020**[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure**  |
| **12.** | **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:** National Notification AuthorityMr D. LuximonPrincipal Trade Policy AnalystInternational Trade DivisionMinistry of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade4th Floor, Medine MewsChaussée Street, Port-LouisMauritiusTel: +(230) 260 2914Fax: +(230) 212 9524Email: motas@intnet.mu  vidan\_2@yahoo.comNational Enquiry PointNational Plant Protection OfficeMinistry of Agro-Industry and Food SecurityReduit, MauritiusTel: +(230) 464 4872Fax: +(230) 465 9591Email: moa-pathology@govmu.org  |
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