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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>UNITED KINGDOM</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
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): All plants, plant products and other objects
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Details of planned amendments to England, Scotland and Wales (Great Britain) retained legislation (Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072). Language(s): English. Number of pages:
6. Description of content: The instrument will amend England, Scotland and Wales (Great Britain) retained legislation (Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072) and will introduce updated pest measures. Summary: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Deregulation of GB quarantine pests (QPs) which have been assessed as not meeting the criteria to be a QP;• Addition of new GB QPs which have been assessed as meeting the criteria to be a QP;• Addition of new GB provisional quarantine pests (PQPs) which have been assessed as meeting the criteria to be a QP based on a provisional assessment;• Update of import requirements for potato plants to cover plants for planting, including micro plants;• Amendment of Annex 7, Part A, Item 83A to ensure that the commodities covered by this requirement will be subject to the same import requirements from all countries;• Incorporation into GB legislation of the requirements of retained EU derogations which are due to expire, and that GB intends to maintain;• Inclusion in legislation of the current easement on Tomato brown rugose fruit virus ("ToBRFV") testing requirements for seeds. Further details: 1. Measure: Removal of various pests from the Annex 2 quarantine pest ("QP") lists <i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> pv. <i>persicae</i> <i>Haplaxius crudus</i> Coconut lethal yellowing phytoplasma <i>Cowpea mild mottle virus</i> Changes introduced by the measure: These pests have been assessed and are not considered to meet the criteria to be GB QPs. Therefore they will no longer be subject to specific import requirements. 2. Measure: Addition of the following viruses of tomatoes (<i>Solanum lycopersicum</i>) to the Annex 2 GB QP list

Citrus exocortis viroid
Columnea latent viroid
Pepper chat fruit viroid
Tomato planta macho viroid

Changes introduced by the measure: Pests added to the quarantine pest list will be subject to increased awareness raising, surveillance and action on detection within the UK to protect biosecurity.

3. Measure: Addition of the following viruses of peppers (*Capsicum annum*) to the Annex 2 GB QP list

Pepper chat fruit viroid

Changes introduced by the measure: Pests added to the quarantine pest list will be subject to increased awareness raising, surveillance and action on detection within the United Kingdom to protect biosecurity.

4. Measure: Addition of the following various pests to the Annex 2A GB provisional quarantine pests lists:

Raffaelea lauricola

Raffaelea quercivora

Platypus quercivorus

Changes introduced by the measure: Pests added to the provisional quarantine pest list will be subject to increased awareness raising, surveillance and action on detection within the United Kingdom to protect biosecurity pending a full risk assessment.

5. Measure: Expansion of the current specific import requirements in Annex 7 for tuber of *Solanum tuberosum* to cover plants for planting, including micro plants, of potato (other than seeds).

Changes introduced by the measure: All potato plant commodity types, moving from the European Union, Liechtenstein, and Switzerland, will need to be compliant with specific import requirements.

6. Measure: Changes to Tomato brown rugose fruit virus ("ToBRFV") testing requirements for seeds produced before 15 August 2020.

Changes introduced by the measure: Imports of seeds of pepper (*C. annum*) and tomato (*S. lycopersicum*) produced before 15 August 2020 can continue to be imported where the seed lot has been tested and found free of ToBRFV in the exporting country but will not need to have been produced from mother plants which have had a growing season inspection.

7. Measure: Derogation of ash wood from Canada and the United States of America

Changes introduced by the measure: This measure will incorporate into GB legislation the requirements of a retained EU derogation which is due to expire. Ash wood from Canada and the United States of America will continue to be subject to the existing import requirements.

8. Measure: Derogation of certain conifer species of bonsai trees from Japan

Changes introduced by the measure: This measure will incorporate into GB legislation the requirements of a retained EU derogation which is due to expire. Certain types of conifer species of bonsai from Japan will continue to be subject to the existing import requirements.

9. Measure: Amend Annex 7, Part A, Item 83A of the England, Scotland and Wales (Great Britain) retained legislation (Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072).

Changes introduced by the measure: These specific import requirements will apply to imports from EU member States, Liechtenstein and Switzerland. This change will ensure that imports of the commodities covered by this requirement will be subject to the same import requirement as the rest of the world.

- 7. Objective and rationale:** [] food safety, [] animal health, [X] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [X] protect territory from other damage from pests.

<p>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ISPM 2 - Framework for pest risk analysis - ISPM 11 - Pest risk analysis for quarantine pests - ISPM 45 - Requirements for national plant protection organizations if authorizing entities to perform phytosanitary actions <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 2 November 2023</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 2 November 2023</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Facilitative measures and those to maintain derogations come into force on 24 November 2023 (Measures 1, 2, 3, 7 and 8 as set out in section 6 above) - Non-urgent measures to come into force on 2 May 2024 (Measures 4, 5, 6 and 9 as set out in section 6 above) <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 25 September 2023</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>UK SPS Contact Point, Defra, Nobel House, London SW1P 3JR E-mail: UKSPS@defra.gov.uk</p>
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