NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** United Arab Emirates  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Ministry Of Climate Change And Environment |
| **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):** Plant products |
| **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:** Draft of the Ministerial Decree on the regulation of the importation of plant hosts from countries that have recorded infections of the autumn cluster insect (S*podoptera Frugiperda*: Lepidoptera: Noctuidae). **Language(s):** Arabic. **Number of pages:** 8 |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Ministerial Decree regulates the importation of agricultural products such as plants, flowers, vegetables, fruits and green fodder from countries affected by the fall army (S*podoptera Frugiperda*: Lepidoptera: Noctuidae). |
| **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.** |
| **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)*:**  **[****X] International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:** ISPM No. 20  **[ ]** **None**  **Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?**  **[X]** **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:**  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/ARE/18_0752_00_x.pdf> |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** Yet to be determined.  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** Yet to be determined. |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** Yet to be determined.  **[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 8 April 2018  **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:**  Ministry of Climate Change and Environment  Eng. Majd Mohamed Alherbawi  Director of Food Safety Department  P.O. Box 1509  United Arab Emirates - Dubai  Tel: +(971 4) 214 8472  Fax: +(971 4) 265 5822  Mobile: +(971 50) 6260516  E-mail: mmalherbawi@moccae.gov.ae  Website: <http://www.moccae.gov.ae> |
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