NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** ARGENTINA**If applicable, name of local government involved:**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** *Servicio Nacional de Sanidad y Calidad Agroalimentaria*, SENASA (National Agriculture and Food Quality and Health Service) |
| **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):** Fresh bananas (*Musa* spp.) |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:****[ ] All trading partners****[X] Specific regions or countries:** Colombia |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** *Requisitos fitosanitarios para la importación de fruto fresco de Musa spp. (Banana)* (Phytosanitary requirements governing the importation of fresh bananas (*Musa* spp.)) **Language(s):** Spanish **Number of pages:**  |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The notified text establishes phytosanitary requirements for imports of fresh bananas on the basis of a pest risk analysis.The national plant protection organization (NPPO) of the exporting country is to issue a phytosanitary certificate containing the following additional declaration:"The consignment has been inspected and is free from: *Aspidiotus destructor*, *Pseudococcus elisae*, *Pseudococcus jackbeardsleyi*, *Mycosphaerella fijiensis* and *Selenaspidus articulatus*". |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [ ] food safety, [ ] animal health, [X] 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 Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:****[X] International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM No.)*** International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM) Nos 2 and 11**[ ] 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:**  |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 15 June 2018**Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 15 June 2018 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (*dd/mm/yy*):** 15 June 2018**[X] 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, [ ] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and email address (if available) of other body:***Ministerio de Agroindustria* (Ministry of Agro-Industry)*Subsecretaría de Relaciones Agroindustriales Internacionales* (Under-Secretariat for International Agro-Industrial Relations)Azopardo 1025, Piso 12, Oficina 5 (CP 1063)Buenos Aires, ArgentinaTel.: (+54 11) 4363 6208Fax: (+54 11) 4363 6329Email: sps-argentina@magyp.gob.ar maxmor@magyp.gob.ar |
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