NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Australia  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Australian Government Department of Agriculture |
| **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):** Seeds, grains and stored plant products (excluding fresh produce) |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[ ]****All trading partners**  **[****X]** **Specific regions or countries:** Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Spain, Switzerland, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Changes to the Khapra beetle country list maintained by Australia.**Language(s):** . **Number of pages:** |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Australian Government Department of Agriculture (the department) has updated the list of countries that are regulated as known Khapra beetle countries (the full list is available at:  <http://www.agriculture.gov.au/import/arrival/pests/khapra_beetle>  The following countries have been added to the list of countries that are known Khapra beetle countries and are now regulated as a country known to have Khapra beetle:   1. Kazakhstan; 2. Kyrgyz Republic; 3. Spain; 4. Switzerland; 5. Tajikistan; 6. Uzbekistan.   For seed, grain and stored plant products (excluding fresh produce) arriving as a Full Container Load (FCL) from a listed Khapra beetle country, the consignments must be accompanied with a phytosanitary certificate, issued by the exporting countries National Plant Protection Organization (NPPO) with the following additional declaration "The plant product(s) were inspected and found free from Khapra beetle (*Trogoderma granarium*)."  For FCL consignments arriving to Australia from known Khapra beetle countries without a phytosanitary certificate with the required phytosanitary declaration the consignment will be subjected to a full unpack (for inspection) at a class 1.1 approved arrangement site. |
| **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 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 12, Guidelines for phytosanitary certificates  **[ ]****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)*:** 24 May 2019  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 24 May 2019 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** 24 May 2019  **[ ]****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:**  The Australian SPS Notification Point  GPO Box 858  Canberra ACT 2601  Australia  Fax: +(61 2) 6272 3678  E-mail: sps.contact@agriculture.gov.au |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [****X]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  The Australian SPS Notification Point  GPO Box 858  Canberra ACT 2601  Australia  Fax: +(61 2) 6272 3678  E-mail: sps.contact@agriculture.gov.au |