NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu**If applicable, name of local government involved:**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Food and Drug Administration, Ministry of Health and Welfare |
| **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):** Imported foods and related 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:** The Partial Amended Provisions for the Regulations of Inspection of Imported Foods and Related Products. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 2<https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/TPKM/18_0754_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Ministry of Health and Welfare proposes to partially amend provisions of the "Regulations of Inspection of Imported Foods and Related Products (second notice)". The proposed amendments mainly involve the following points:1. To regulate Obligatory Inspection Applicants shall submit the Consolidated Import Declaration with Relevant Permits when applying import inspection;
2. To delete Article 5 concerning pre-declaration provisions;
3. To add an alternative method of product sampling for applicants who are suspended for applying for prior release of products;
4. To add conditions for applying for prior release of products;
5. To add conditions for payment of guarantee bond;
6. To add conditions for refund of guarantee bond;
7. To revise the time limit for applying for re-inspection when the imported products do not conform to regulations; and
8. To add a guarantee for whose pre-declaration of product information is valid after the amend.
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| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [****X] food safety, [ ]****animal health, [ ]****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)*:** **[ ]** **International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:** **[****X] None****Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?** **[ ]** **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:** Regulations of Inspection of Imported Foods and Related Products (available in English) |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined.**Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined. |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** 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:** Food and Drug Administration, Ministry of Health and WelfareNo.161-2, Kunyang St, Nangang District, Taipei City 115-61, TaiwanTel: +(886 2) 2787 8000 ext. 8374Fax: +(886 2) 2787 8398E-mail: ccy530@fda.gov.tw |
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