

**PROTOCOL OF PHYTOSANITARY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE  
EXPORTED PISTACHIO FROM TURKEY TO CHINA  
BETWEEN  
THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK OF  
THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY  
AND  
THE GENERAL ADMINISTRATION OF QUALITY SUPERVISION,  
INSPECTION AND QUARANTINE OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF  
CHINA**

In order to safely export pistachio from Turkey to China, protect ecological security of Chinese agriculture, based on the rules of pest risk analysis of imported plant, the Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock of the Republic of Turkey (hereinafter referred to as *Turkish Side*) and the General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine of the People's Republic of China (hereinafter referred to as *Chinese Side*), agreed the following measures:

**Article 1**

Pistachio referred in this protocol represents shelled or unshelled, nonprocessed pistachio produced in Turkey.

**Article 2**

The pistachio to be exported to China from Turkey shall comply with the relevant phytosanitary laws and regulations of China, and be free from live pest and quarantine pest concerned by China (listed in Annex). The production shall be not adulterated.

**Article 3**

The exported pistachio from Turkey to China shall be processed and stored in Turkey. Pistachio originated from other country and/or region shall not be exported to China from Turkey.

#### Article 4

During the pistachio growing and storage period, aim at the quarantine pest concerned by China, Turkish Side shall establish and conduct control measure on pest, enhance survey and monitor on pest. Turkish Side shall provide the record of survey, monitor, prevention and treatment at the request of Chinese Side.

If a new pest occurs on pistachio in Turkey, Turkish Side shall inform Chinese Side timely.

#### Article 5

All storage and processing plants that desire to export pistachio from Turkey to China must be registered by Turkish Side. The list of plants shall be audited and recognized by Chinese Side.

The exported pistachio from Turkey to China shall be free from soil as well as weed seeds and any of plant debris.

Each package must contain the following information: production name, place of origin, lot number, the name or registration number of storage plant and processing plant. Additionally, the following text must be marked in every package: 本产品输往中华人民共和国 (This consignment of pistachio will be exported to the People's Republic of China).

### Article 6

The transfer container and means of transport for exported pistachio from Turkey to China shall be inspected and disinfected thoroughly to prevent introduction of any pest into pistachio. If any quarantine pest concerned by China is detected in exported pistachio from Turkey to China, the pistachio shall be fumigated by Turkish Side in accordance with the treatment chemicals and methods which are co-confirmed by both sides.

### Article 7

Prior to the export, Turkish Side shall conduct the official inspection in according to Chinese phytosanitary requirements. And an official phytosanitary certificate with the signature of authorized officer shall be issued by Turkish Side. The phytosanitary certificate shall include the following additional declaration: "The consignment is in compliance with requirements described in the *Protocol of Phytosanitary Requirements for the Pistachio from Turkey to China between the Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock of the Republic of Turkey and the General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine of the People's Republic of China*, free from the quarantine pest concerned by China." The phytosanitary certificate should be written in English.

### Article 8

Inspections must be requested to China Inspection and Quarantine Services (CIQ) upon the arrival of the shipment at the Chinese port of entry. If quarantine pests concerned by China are detected in product, the consignment shall be sent for quarantine treatment and grant access if the treatment is efficient. If the quarantine treatment is invalid or failure to re-inspection, the consignment will return or destroyed. In serious condition, AQSIQ will inform Turkish Side immediately, and may suspend import of pistachio of Turkey unless the problem is solved.

With regard to other quarantine pest but not listed in the Annex is detected, CIQ will treat it in accordance with the *Law of the People's Republic of China on Entry and Exit Animal and Plant Quarantine* and its implementing regulations.

#### **Article 9**

If this protocol enters into force, according to the information provided by Turkish Side and status of interception by CIQ, Chinese Side may send phytosanitary experts to Turkey to conduct pre-inspection and retrospective review. Experts will check and estimate the effectiveness of Turkey's phytosanitary system on pistachio culture, storage, transport, process and export, conduct survey, monitor, academic communication. When assuming necessary, AQSIQ will re-conduct Pest Risk Analysis.

All expense (including transportation, accommodation and insurance) should be paid by both Sides.

#### **Article 10**

The protocol is applied to phytosanitary requirements for pistachio from Turkey to China. The pistachio should be compliant with the relevant China National Food Safety Standard (such as quality, bio-toxin, contaminant, pesticide residue), but not belong to this protocol.

#### **Article 11**

The two sides shall resolve any discrepancies through friendly negotiations.

## Article 12

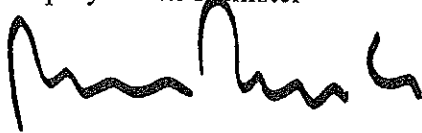
This protocol shall enter into force on the date of receipt of the last written notification by which the Parties notify each other, through diplomatic channels, of the completion of their internal legal procedures required for the entry into force of the concerned document. This protocol shall remain valid for a period of three (3) years. Unless one party notifies the other in writing of its intention to terminate this protocol six (6) months prior to expiration of its validity, this protocol shall automatically be extended for successive period of three (3) years.

This protocol is signed in duplicate in \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_, in Turkish, Chinese and English, the three texts being equally authentic. In case of divergence in interpretation, the English text shall be prevailing.

On behalf of  
The Ministry of Food, Agriculture  
and Livestock of the Republic of  
Turkey

On behalf of  
The General Administration of  
Quality Supervision, Inspection and  
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of China

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**ANNEX:**

**The List of Quarantine Pest Concerned by China**

<b>No</b>	<b>Scientific Name</b>
1.	<i>Megastigmus pistaciae</i>
2.	<i>Schneidereria pistaciicola</i>
3.	<i>Suturaspis pistaciae</i>
4.	<i>Septoria pistaciae</i>