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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>CANADA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA)
<b>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):</b> Plants, plant products and other regulated articles that require a phytosanitary Certificate from Canada
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>All trading partners</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Specific regions or countries:</b>
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Phytosanitary Certificate. <b>Language(s):</b> English and French. <b>Number of pages:</b> 1 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/CAN/20_5963_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/CAN/20_5963_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> In order to avoid any disruption of trade, Canada is notifying its trading partners of a slightly revised format for Canadian phytosanitary certificates. As a result of updates to the system used to issue paper phytosanitary certificates, the revised format phytosanitary certificate issued by the CFIA will have minor layout changes compared to the current phytosanitary certificate.  The CFIA would like to stress that the revised format continues to follow the International Plant Protection Convention's model for phytosanitary certificates.  A specimen of the new Phytosanitary Certificate is attached. The version reference number "CFIA 1327 (2020/09)" is shown at the bottom left corner of all revised format phytosanitary certificates.  The new Phytosanitary Certificate will be issued by the CFIA starting from 8 December 2020. It is important to note that any phytosanitary certificate re-issued on 8 December 2020, onwards will also be under the revised format, even if the certificate that it replaces was presented in the earlier format.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.

<p><b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">– ISPM 12 Phytosanitary certificates.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b></p>
<p><b>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p>
<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> 8 December 2020</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> 8 December 2020</p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 8 December 2020</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 6 December 2020</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p>
<p><b>13. Text(s) available from:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Canada's Notification Authority and Enquiry Point          Technical Barriers and Regulations Division          Global Affairs Canada          111 Sussex Drive          Ottawa (Ontario) K1A 0G2, Canada          Tel: +(343) 203 4273          Fax: +(613) 943 0346          E-mail: <a href="mailto:enquiry@international.gc.ca">enquiry@international.gc.ca</a></p>