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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: 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): Chocolate and cocoa powder
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Draft Sanitation Standard for Contaminants and Toxins in Food. Language(s): Chinese and English. Number of pages: 19 in total https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/TPKM/24_05402_00_e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/TPKM/24_05402_00_x.pdf
6. Description of content: This regulation aims to set maximum levels (ML) for Cadmium in chocolate products.
7. Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input 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.
8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): CXS 193-1995 - General Standard for Contaminants and Toxins in Food and Feed <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

9.	<p>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p> <p>Draft Sanitation Standard for Contaminants and Toxins in Food (MOHW Food No.1131301721, # # 2024) is available in English from the National Notification Authority, National Enquiry Point, and Ministry of Health and Welfare. The standards will be published in the Official Government Gazette when adopted. The full text may be downloaded from the following website: http://www.fda.gov.tw/eng/index.aspx (available in Chinese)</p>
10.	<p>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 January 2025</p> <p>[] Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 13 October 2024</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National Notification Authority, [] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Animal and Plant Health Inspection Agency, Ministry of Agriculture 9F, No.100, Sec.2, Heping W. Rd., Zhongzheng Dist., Taipei City, 100060, Taiwan Tel: +(886) 8978 2312 Fax: +(886) 2 2332 2200 Email: wtosps@aphia.gov.tw Website: http://www.aphia.gov.tw</p>
13.	<p>Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Animal and Plant Health Inspection Agency, Ministry of Agriculture 9F, No.100, Sec.2, Heping W. Rd., Zhongzheng Dist., Taipei City, 100060, Taiwan Tel: +(886) 8978 2312 Fax: +(886) 2 2332 2200 Email: wtosps@aphia.gov.tw Website: http://www.aphia.gov.tw</p>