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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

1. Notifying Member: <u>SINGAPORE</u>

If applicable, name of local government involved:

- 2. Agency responsible: Singapore Food Agency (SFA)
- 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): Poultry meat and meat products (HS codes: 0207, 0208, 0209, 0210, 1501, 1601, 1602, 1901, 1902, 1904, 1905, 2004, 2104), hatching eggs (HS code: 0407), live domestic birds and day-old chicks (HS code: 0105)

NOTIFICATION

- 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: Veterinary Conditions for Importation of Poultry and Poultry Products; Veterinary Conditions for Importation of Domestic Birds; Veterinary Conditions for Importation of Day-Old Chicks; Veterinary Conditions for Importation of Hatching Eggs. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 2, 3, 2 and 2, respectively
- 6. **Description of content:** Singapore has completed a review of the import conditions for live domestic birds (including day-old chicks, domestic birds), poultry and poultry products, and hatching eggs, to allow the use of vaccination against High Pathogenicity Avian Influenza (HPAI) if certain conditions are met. These conditions are aligned with the recommendations of the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH). The amendments are as follows:
 - a. Conditions for importation of poultry and poultry products
 - To allow the use of HPAI vaccines (excluding live/live-attenuated vaccines) that comply with standards described in the WOAH Terrestrial Manual and approved by the competent authority of the exporting country.
 - b. Conditions for importation of live domestic birds
 - To allow the use of HPAI vaccines (excluding live/live-attenuated vaccines) that comply with standards described in the WOAH Terrestrial Manual and approved by the competent authority of the exporting country. Details of vaccine used for each consignment exported (e.g. nature of vaccine and date of vaccination) are to be provided.
 - If HPAI vaccines were used, to ensure that the flock had been tested negative for HPAI within 14 days of export, using methods stated in WOAH Terrestrial Manual for detection of HPAI virus (e.g. virus isolation or real-time RT-PCR).
 - c. Conditions for importation of day-old chicks and hatching eggs
 - To allow the use of HPAI vaccines (excluding live/live-attenuated vaccines) that comply with standards described in the WOAH Terrestrial Manual and approved by the competent authority of the exporting country for parent flocks and/or day-old chicks. Details of vaccine used for each consignment exported (e.g. nature of vaccine and date of vaccination) are to be provided.

If an exporting country is not practising HPAI vaccination to control the disease, the existing import conditions for these goods continue to apply with no change.

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7. Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [X] 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 Γ1 standard or related text): World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic [X] Animal Health Code, chapter number): Terrestrial Manual, Chapter 10.4 International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): [] [] 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): 28 August 2024 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 28 August 2024 Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or 11. (dd/mm/yy): 28 August 2024 [X] 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: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Risk Management and Surveillance Department Singapore Food Agency 52 Jurong Gateway Road #14-01 Singapore 608550 Tel: +(65) 6805 2937 E-mail: joelyn ng@sfa.gov.sq 13. Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: The texts of the Veterinary Conditions For Importation of Poultry and Poultry Products are available at: https://www.sfa.gov.sq/food-import-export/conditions-for-specifictypes-of-food-for-import The texts of the Veterinary Conditions For Importation of Domestic Birds, Hatching Eggs, and Day-Old Chicks are available at: https://www.sfa.gov.sg/food-importexport/import-export-transshipment-of-live-poultry-livestock Alternatively, please write in to: Risk Management and Surveillance Department Singapore Food Agency 52 Jurong Gateway Road #14-01 Singapore 608550 Tel: +(65) 6805 2937 E-mail: joelyn ng@sfa.gov.sg