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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: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Agency, Ministry of Agriculture
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): Bees
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: The draft amendment of the "Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of Bees" in relation to Article 10 (Annex 8-2) of the "Regulations for the Importation of Objects Subject to Animal Quarantine". Language(s): English. Number of pages: 3 https://www.aphia.gov.tw/theme_data.php?theme=news&sub_theme=message&id=20765 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/TPKM/25_04012_00_e.pdf
6.	Description of content: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The genus <i>Bombus</i> and <i>Melipona</i> are included according to the Chapter of infestation with <i>Aethina tumida</i> (also known as small hive beetle, SHB) of the WOAH Terrestrial Animal Health Code.2. The radius of being free from SHB is shortened from 100 km to 50 km.3. The risk control measures when transferring bees into transport containers are listed.
7.	Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): Chapters 4.15, 5.10, 9.1 to 9.6 of the WOAH Terrestrial Animal Health Code <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):

<p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 24 August 2025</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" 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>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) 2 8978 2312 Fax: +(886) 2 2332 2200 E-mail: wtopps@aphia.gov.tw Website: https://www.aphia.gov.tw/</p>
<p>13. Text(s) available from: <input checked="" 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>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) 2 8978 2312 Fax: +(886) 2 2332 2200 E-mail: wtopps@aphia.gov.tw Website: https://www.aphia.gov.tw/</p>