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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>MALAYSIA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Food Safety and Quality Division, Ministry of Health Malaysia
<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> Meat of bovine animals, fresh or chilled (HS code(s): 0201); Meat of bovine animals, frozen (HS code(s): 0202); Meat of swine, fresh, chilled or frozen (HS code(s): 0203); Meat of sheep or goats, fresh, chilled or frozen (HS code(s): 0204); Edible offal of bovine animals, swine, sheep, goats, horses, asses, mules or hinnies, fresh, chilled or frozen (HS code(s): 0206); Meat and edible offal of fowls of the species Gallus domesticus, ducks, geese, turkeys and guinea fowls, fresh, chilled or frozen (HS code(s): 0207); Fresh, chilled or frozen meat and edible offal of rabbits or hares (HS code(s): 020810); Pig fat, free of lean meat, and poultry fat, not rendered or otherwise extracted, fresh, chilled, frozen, salted, in brine, dried or smoked (HS code(s): 0209); Milk and cream, not concentrated nor containing added sugar or other sweetening matter (HS code(s): 0401); Birds' eggs, in shell, fresh, preserved or cooked (HS code(s): 0407); Fats of bovine animals, sheep or goats (excl. oil and oleostearin) (HS code(s): 1502)
<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> Amendment to Table I and Table II of the Fifteenth A Schedule of the Food Regulations 1985 [P.U.(A) 437/1985]. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 1
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The proposed amendments to Table I and Table II of the Fifteenth A Schedule of the Food Regulations 1985 are as follows: 1. Deletion of colistin and the particulars relating to it from Table I of the Fifteenth A Schedule; 2. Insertion of colistin in Table II of the Fifteenth A Schedule as a drug prohibited in food.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>food safety</b> , <input type="checkbox"/> <b>animal health</b> , <input type="checkbox"/> <b>plant protection</b> , <input type="checkbox"/> <b>protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease</b> , <input type="checkbox"/> <b>protect territory from other damage from pests.</b>
<b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b> Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs) and Risk Management Recommendations (RMRs) For Residues Of Veterinary Drugs in Foods (CX/MRL 2-2021) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b>

<p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b></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 type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b></p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b> These proposed amendments are made in line with a Directive of Malaysian Control of Drugs and Cosmetics Regulations 1984 regarding the listing of all polymyxins (except Polymyxin B in the form of topical preparation) as a prohibited substance in veterinary drug products in Malaysia. Previously, Malaysia through the National Pharmaceutical Regulatory Agency (NPRA), notified a TBT notification (G/TBT/N/MYS/91) to limit the usage of veterinary medicine containing colistin in food-producing animal due to the emerging safety issue related to resistance caused by colistin. According to the World Health Organization (WHO) "Critically Important Antimicrobials for Human Medicine" which is a reference to help formulate and prioritize risk assessment and risk management strategies for containing antimicrobial resistance, Polymyxin E (colistin) is categorized as Critically Important Antimicrobials based on the Annex 1 (List of medically important Antimicrobials) and the Table 2 (Prioritization of antimicrobials categorized as "Critically Important" in human medicine).</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> To be determined.</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> Not applicable</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>Food Safety and Quality Division Ministry of Health Malaysia Level 4, Menara Prisma No. 26, Jalan Persiaran Perdana, Presint 3 Federal Government Administration Centre Tel: +(603) 8885 0797 Fax: +(603) 8889 3815 E-mail: <a href="mailto:sps.fsqd@moh.gov.my">sps.fsqd@moh.gov.my</a></p>
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