NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** MADAGASCAR  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** *Direction de la Protection des Végétaux - Ministère de l'Agriculture et de l'Élevage* (Plant Protection Directorate - Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock) |
| **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):** Foodstuffs of plant origin (HS codes 07/07133/071390; 09/0905/0907; 12/1202; 18/1801/1803/1804/1805/1806) |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[ ] All trading partners**  **[X] Specific regions or countries:** China; India; United States; European Union; Indian Ocean Commission (IOC); SADC and COMESA. |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** *Arrêté relatif aux conditions d'hygiène applicables aux denrées alimentaires d'origine végétale destinées à l'exportation* (Order on hygiene requirements for foodstuffs of plant origin for export) **Language(s):** French **Number of pages:** 16 with annexes  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/MDG/22_3096_00_f.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The notified Order sets out the general and specific hygiene rules that are to be applied by food business operators to foodstuffs of plant origin for export at each stage of the production, processing and distribution process. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [ ] 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:**  **[X] Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:** General Principles of Food Hygiene, CXC 1-1969, Rev. 2020.  **[ ] World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:**  **[ ] 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.** | **Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** *Journal Officiel de la République de Madagascar* (Official Journal of the Republic of Madagascar) (available in French and Malagasy) |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 23 August 2022  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 31 August 2022 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 3 October 2022  **[X] Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [ ] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 20 August 2022  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and email address (if available) of other body:**  *Direction de la Protection des Végétaux, Ministère de l'Agriculture et de l'Élevage* (Plant Protection Directorate, Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock), Nanisana, Antananarivo 101, Madagascar, Email: [dpvmadagascar@gmail.com](mailto:dpvmadagascar@gmail.com) |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and email address (if available) of other body:**  *Direction de la Protection des Végétaux, Ministère de l'Agriculture et de l'Élevage* (Plant Protection Directorate, Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock), Nanisana, Antananarivo 101, Madagascar, Email: [dpvmadagascar@gmail.com](mailto:dpvmadagascar@gmail.com) |