NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** TOGO  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** *Ministère de l'Agriculture, de la Production Animale et Halieutique* (Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Production and Fisheries) |
| **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):** Fruits and vegetables |
| **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:** *ARRÊTÉ N°040/17 MAEH/Cab/SG/DPV portant sur l'enregistrement obligatoire des importateurs et exportateurs de fruits et légumes* (Order No. 040/17 MAEH/Cab/SG/DPV on the compulsory registration of fruit and vegetable importers and exporters) **Language(s):** French **Number of pages:** 2 |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The notified Order institutes compulsory registration for fruit and vegetable importers and exporters, with a period of validity of one year, to enable inspection and phytosanitary certification of fruits and vegetables by the *Direction de la Protection des Végétaux* (Plant Protection Directorate). |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [ ] food safety, [ ] animal health, [X] plant protection, [X] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [X] 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 standard or related text)*:**  **[ ] World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:**  **[X] International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:** ISPM Nos. 14 and 35  **[ ] 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 Togolaise,* JORT(Official Journal of the Togolese Republic) (available in French) |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 7 March 2017  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 7 March 2017 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 7 March 2017  **[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: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and email address (if available) of other body:**  Ahoro Atchindé Amakoue  *Direction du Commerce Extérieur* (Foreign Trade Directorate)  Lomé, Togo  Tel.: +228 90 04 81 30  Email: amakoue.ahoro1@gmail.com |
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