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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>CHILE</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> <i>Servicio Agrícola y Ganadero, SAG</i> (Agriculture and Livestock Service)
<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> Tomato ( <i>Solanum lycopersicum</i> = <i>Lycopersicon esculentum</i> ) and paprika and chilli pepper ( <i>Capsicum annuum</i> ) seeds
<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> <i>Resolución exenta N°5464/2019 / Modifica resolución exenta N°7675 de 2016 que establece requisitos fitosanitarios para la importación de semillas de especies hortícolas, chacras, aromáticas y medicinales, procedentes de todo origen, en el sentido de establecer medidas de emergencia para prevenir el ingreso de tomato brown rugose fruit virus (TOBRFV) y deroga resolución exenta N°4.540/2019</i> (Exempt Resolution No. 5464/2019 amending Exempt Resolution No. 7675 of 2016, which sets forth phytosanitary requirements for the importation of seeds, of any origin, of fruit and vegetable crops and aromatic and medicinal plant species, in that it establishes emergency measures to prevent the entry of Tomato brown rugose fruit virus (ToBRFV) and repeals Exempt Resolution No. 4.540/2019). <b>Language(s):</b> Spanish <b>Number of pages:</b> 3 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/CHL/19_4341_00_s.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/CHL/19_4341_00_s.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Resolution No. 7.675 of 2016, which sets forth phytosanitary requirements for the importation into Chile of tomato ( <i>Solanum lycopersicum</i> = <i>Lycopersicon esculentum</i> ) and paprika and chilli pepper ( <i>Capsicum annuum</i> ) seeds, is amended as follows:  1.1. The species <i>Capsicum annuum</i> (var. <i>longum</i> , <i>grossum</i> ) is deleted from the table in Article 1.  1.2. The following text is added after <i>Capparis</i> spp.:  _____ <b>SPECIES:</b> <i>Capsicum annuum</i> <b>ADDITIONAL DECLARATION:</b>  1.1 The consignment has been treated for the control of <i>Colletotrichum acutatum</i> and <i>Colletotrichum capsici</i> , with the treatment specified in the corresponding section of the phytosanitary certificate, or

1.2 The consignment is from a nursery that was inspected during the active growth period and found to be free from *Colletotrichum acutatum* and *Colletotrichum capsici*.

AND

2.1 The consignment is from a nursery that was inspected and analysed by means of [indicate diagnostic technique] during the active growth period and found to be free from Tomato brown rugose fruit virus (ToBRFV), or

2.2 The consignment is free from Tomato brown rugose fruit virus (ToBRFV), as per the results of an official laboratory analysis, with an indication of the diagnostic technique used.

1.3. The additional declarations in the table in Article 1 for *Solanum lycopersicum* (= *Lycopersicon esculentum*) and *Lycopersicon esculentum* x *Lycopersicon hirsutum* are replaced with the following:

SPECIES:

*Solanum lycopersicum* (= *Lycopersicon esculentum*)

*Lycopersicon esculentum* x *Lycopersicon hirsutum*

ADDITIONAL DECLARATION:

1.1 The consignment is from a nursery that was inspected and analysed by means of [indicate diagnostic technique] during the active growth period and found to be free from Potato spindle tuber viroid (PSTVd) and Tomato brown rugose fruit virus (ToBRFV), or

The consignment is free from Potato spindle tuber viroid (PSTVd) and Tomato brown rugose fruit virus (ToBRFV), as per the results of an official laboratory analysis, with an indication of the diagnostic technique used.

2. The notified Resolution will enter into effect 30 days after its publication in the Chilean Official Journal.

3. Consignments that are en route to Chile with a certification dated prior to the WTO notification of the publication of the resolution may be analysed in the official SAG laboratory. The analysis will be conducted on seedlings, at the importer's expense.

**7. Objective and rationale:**  food safety,  animal health,  plant protection,  protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease,  protect territory from other damage from pests.

**8. Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reasons for urgent action:** Urgent action is needed, as:

- Tomato brown rugose fruit virus (ToBRFV) was first reported in Jordan in 2015, after which it quickly spread to other countries of the world, with seeds being one of the main long-distance transmission channels through outside contamination.
- The SAG carried out a pest risk analysis for ToBRFV and determined that it is a quarantine pest for Chile and that one of the pest's possible pathways of introduction are tomato (*Solanum lycopersicum* = *Lycopersicum esculentum*) and paprika and chilli pepper (*Capsicum annum*) seeds.
- The existing SAG regulations on the importation of tomato, paprika and chilli pepper seeds do not provide for risk mitigation for ToBRFV. It is therefore necessary to amend Resolution No. 7.675 of 2016, which sets forth phytosanitary requirements for the importation of seeds, of any origin, of fruit and vegetable crops and aromatic and medicinal plant species.

<p><b>9. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM No.)</b> ISPM Nos. 1 and 2</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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b></p>
<p><b>10. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p>
<p><b>11. Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable):</b> 6 September 2019</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
<p><b>12. Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>National Notification Authority,</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>National Enquiry Point.</b> Address, fax number and email address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Email: sps.chile@sag.gob.cl</p>
<p><b>13. Text(s) available from:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>National Notification Authority,</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>National Enquiry Point.</b> Address, fax number and email address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Email: sps.chile@sag.gob.cl</p>