



NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>GEORGIA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia (MEPA)
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): Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers (HS code(s): 07); Edible fruit and nuts; peel of citrus fruit or melons (HS code(s): 08); Coffee, tea, maté and spices (HS code(s): 09); Cereals (HS code(s): 10); Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits; Miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruit; Industrial or medicinal plants; Straw and fodder (HS code(s): 12); Vegetable saps and extracts; pectic substances, pectinates and pectates; agar-agar and other mucilages and thickeners derived from vegetable products, whether or not modified, (HS code(s): 1302); Vegetable products, n.e.s. (HS code(s): 1404); Bread, pastry, cakes, biscuits and other bakers' wares, whether or not containing cocoa; communion wafers, empty cachets of a kind suitable for pharmaceutical use, sealing wafers, rice paper and similar products (HS code(s): 1905); Preparations of vegetables, fruit, nuts or other parts of plants (HS code(s): 20); Sauce and preparations therefor; mixed condiments and mixed seasonings; mustard flour and meal, whether or not prepared, and mustard (HS code(s): 2103); Food preparations, n.e.s. (HS code(s): 2106); Residues and waste from the food industries; Prepared animal fodder (HS code(s): 23)
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: On the approval of the border control rule for the safety of food of non-animal origin/animal feed. Language(s): Georgian. Number of pages: 42 https://www.matsne.gov.ge/ka/document/view/5783525?publication=0 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/GEO/23_09500_00_x.pdf
6. Description of content: The purpose of this rule is to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- determine compliance with the safety requirements of food of non-animal origin/animal feed intended for import;- determine the appropriate conditions and mandatory procedures;- define the type of prohibited food (dry bean with following HS codes: 07133500, 07133900, 07139000) from Nigeria;<ul style="list-style-type: none">o define the model of CHED (Common Health Entry Document), and official certificate for import into Georgia (see annex No. 7);- also define parameters on which samples can be taken in the custom. Also: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- cargo, which is defined in annex No. 2, must be accompanied with the results of laboratory analyses and official certificate for import into Georgia (annex No. 7);- lab analyses must be done on the parameters referred in annex No. 2.

7.	Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input 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.	<p>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
9.	<p>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: This rule is elaborated under DCFTA agreement according to Regulation (EU) 2019/1793 (available in Georgian, certificate in Georgian and English).</p>
10.	<p>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 13 April 2023</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 18 April 2023</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 June 2023</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 27 May 2023</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>Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia 6, Marshal Gelovani Ave Tel: +(995) 322 37 80 09 E-mail: info@mepa.gov.ge Website: http://www.mepa.gov.ge</p> <p>Ms Maia BERUASHVILI - SPS Focal Point in WTO Head of Food Safety Division Agriculture, Rural Development and Food Department Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia 6, Marshal Gelovani Ave Tel: +(995) 322 37 66 48 Cell phone: +(995) 595 53 01 94 E-mail: maia.beruashvili@mepa.gov.ge</p>
13.	<p>Text(s) available from: <input 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>