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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN</u>, <u>PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU</u>

If applicable, name of local government involved:

- 2. Agency responsible: Department of Health
- 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): Plastic utensils, containers and packages for food
- 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: Draft Sanitation Standard for Food Utensils, Containers and Packages Language(s): English Number of pages: 1

http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2012/sps/TPKM/12_3467_00_e.pdf http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2012/sps/TPKM/12_3467_00_x.pdf

- **6. Description of content:** Establishing the sanitary standards for food utensils, containers and packages made of plastics with phthalate.
- 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:
 - [] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)
 - [] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)
 - [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number)
 - [X] None
 - Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

- 9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: The Draft of Sanitation Standard for Food Utensils, Containers and Packages (29 June 2012, DOH Food No. 0991304519) available in English from the National Notification Authority, National Enquiry Point and Department of Health. The amendment will be published in the Official Government Gazette when adopted. The full texts may be downloaded from the following website: http://www.fda.gov.tw
- 10. **Proposed date of adoption** (*dd/mm/yy*): To be determined.

Proposed date of publication (*dd/mm/yy*): To be determined.

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): To be determined.
 - [] Trade facilitating measure
- **12.** Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 4 September 2012

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