

# WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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## NOTIFICATION

<b>1. Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine of the People's Republic of China (AQSIQ)
<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> Live cultured aquatic animal
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> The United States of America, Canada, Australia, Southeast Asia and member states of European Union etc.
<b>5. Title, language and number of pages of the notified document:</b> "Rules of Inspection and Quarantine Measures on Export Aquatic Animal" (Available in Chinese, 28 pages)
<b>6. Description of content:</b> According to relevant Chinese laws and OIE regulations, the specific inspection and quarantine requirements for export cultured aquatic animals from the People's Republic of China, such as fish (semen and ova included), mollusc, and shellfish, are to be established. The requirements include: registration and supervision of farms, quarantine and inspection prior to shipment, requirements for packaging and transportation materials, etc.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> [ ] food safety, [ X ] animal health, [ ] plant protection, [ ] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ] protect territory from other damage from pests
<b>8. International standard, guideline or recommendation:</b> [ ] Codex Alimentarius Commission, [ X ] Office International des Epizooties, [ ] International Plant Protection Convention, [ ] None <b>If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:</b>
<b>9. Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b>
<b>10. Proposed date of adoption:</b> 1 March 2004
<b>11. Proposed date of entry into force:</b> 1 September 2003

**12. Final date for comments:** 60 days after circulation by the Secretariat

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