

# 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 SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine
<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 crustaceans for aquaculture
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> All countries
<b>5. Title, language and number of pages of the notified document:</b> Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of Live Crustaceans for Aquaculture (Draft) (5 pages)
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The importation of live crustaceans for aquaculture including shrimp fry, grass shrimp spawner, striped prawn spawner, oriental prawn spawner, giant freshwater prawn spawner and other prawns spawner, shall be in compliance with " <b>Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of Live Crustaceans for Aquaculture</b> ". Live crustaceans for aquaculture shall be harvested from aquaculture establishments that are officially registering in exporting country, and shall meet either of the following conditions: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. the establishments are subjected to the official crustacean health surveillance scheme according to the procedures described in the Manual of Diagnostic Tests for Aquatic Animals of Office International des Epizooties (the OIE Aquatic Manual), and are certified that the establishments are free from the diseases listed in the attached table of the Requirements for at least the previous two years; or</li><li>2. prior to export, the live crustaceans are subjected to testing with negative results for diseases listed in the Quarantine Requirements using the methods described in the OIE Aquatic Manual. If the test method of any disease is not designated in the OIE Aquatic Manual, test methods of the disease which having been published in international science journals shall be used.</li></ol>
<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

<p><b>8. International standard, guideline or recommendation:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Office International des Epizooties, <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention, <input type="checkbox"/> None If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:</p>
<p><b>9. Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p>
<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption:</b> To be announced in the Official Government Gazette</p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force:</b> To be announced in the Official Government Gazette.</p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments:</b> 12 February 2004 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National notification authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:</p>
<p><b>13. Texts available from:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National notification authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:</p>