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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

Revision

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

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

If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):

2. Agency responsible:

Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Ministry of Health and Welfare No.161-2, Kunyang St Nangang District Taipei City 115-61, Taiwan

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Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:

- 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [X], 5.7.1 [], other:
- 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):

 Prepackaged food, food additives and unpackaged food containing ingredients of genetically modified organisms
- 5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Public Notice (Food No. 1031304788) issued by the Food and Drug Administration, Ministry of Health and Welfare: "Draft of Amendment on Labelling Requirements for Prepackaged Food Containing Ingredients of Genetically Modified Organisms", "Draft of Amendment on Labelling Requirements for Food Additives Containing Ingredients of Genetically Modified Organisms" and "Draft of Amendment on Labelling Requirements for Unpackaged Food Containing Ingredients of Genetically Modified Organisms" (5 pages, in Chinese; 6 pages, in English)

6. Description of content:

- The date of entry into force of the prepackaged food, food additives regulation is advanced from 1 January 2016 to 1 June 2015. The effect date of the unpackaged food regulation is advanced from 1 January 2016 to 1 June 2015 by 3 stages of objects and items, and end on 1 January 2016;
- 2. Food or food ingredient that are highly refined and where the processing removes all transgenic DNA fragment or transgenic proteins have to label;

3. Food contains GMOs which exist international trade of GMOs may display the words "un-genetically-modified" or "with un-genetic modification" and could displays the words "the proportion of material which contains, consists of or is produced from GMOs considered individually is approved for use in a regulation of ____(country) or other synonymous terms" or the proportion of material which contains, consists of or is produced from GMOs considered individually;

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- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Consumer information
- **8. Relevant documents:** Act Governing Food Safety and Sanitation
- Proposed date of adoption: To be determined
 Proposed date of entry into force: 1 June 2015
- **10**. **Final date for comments**: 60 days from notification
- 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [] or address, telephone or fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

WTO/TBT Enquiry Point
The Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection
Ministry of Economic Affairs
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Tel.: (886-2) 3343-5191

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