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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>CANADA</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 may be provided in addition, where applicable). Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Imidacloprid
4.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Proposed Amendment to the Food and Drug Regulations (1200-Imidacloprid) (pages 1585-1588)
5.	Description of content: The Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA), of Health Canada, has approved applications to amend the registration of imidacloprid in order to allow its use for the control of flea beetles on mustard as a seed treatment and its use for the control of aphids and whiteflies on cucumbers. This proposed regulatory amendment would establish MRLs for residues of imidacloprid and its metabolites resulting from this use in mustard seed and cucumbers, and in imported citrus fruits and pecans, in order to permit the sale of food containing these residues. After the review of all available data, the PMRA has determined that MRLs for imidacloprid, including its metabolites, of 1 ppm in citrus fruits, 0.5 ppm in cucumbers and 0.05 ppm in mustard seed and pecans would not pose an unacceptable health risk to the public.
6.	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
7.	An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist <input type="checkbox"/> . If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations: The US tolerances: pecans 0.05 ppm citrus 1.0 ppm cucurbits 0.2 ppm
8.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available : Canada Gazette, Part 1, 5 May, 2001 (Available in English and French)

9.	Proposed date of adoption: Not stated.
10.	Proposed date of entry into force: Not stated.
11.	Final date for comments: 4 June 2001 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National notification authority, [X] National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:
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