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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine
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): Marsupial animals including Orders Dasyuromorphia, Peramelemorphia and Diprodontia
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Countries that intend to export marsupials to the Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu (TPKM)
5.	Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Draft of Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of Marsupials (2 pages)
6.	Description of content: The importation of marsupials including Orders Dasyuromorphia, Peramelemorphia and Diprodontia shall be accompanied by an original veterinary certificate issued by the animal quarantine authorities of the exporting country, and shall be in compliance with "Quarantine Requirements for the Importation of Marsupials". The animals shall originate from government registered establishments where rabies, brucellosis tuberculosis, Aujeszky's disease Japanese encephalitis, tularemia and trypanosomiasis have not occurred during the past 12 months. Before embarkation, the animals shall be detained for pre-export quarantine for 28 days and be subjected to diagnosis tests of designated diseases.
7.	Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [x] animal health, [] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests
8.	International standard, guideline or recommendation: [] Codex Alimentarius Commission, [x] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), [] International Plant Protection Convention, [] None If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:
9.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Draft regulation available in English.
10.	Proposed date of adoption: To be announced in the Official Government Gazette.

11. Proposed date of entry into force: To be announced in the Official Government Gazette.
12. Final date for comments: 15 July 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:
13. Texts available from: <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: