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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>MEXICO</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Rural Development
3.	Products covered (tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Hens and chickens
4.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Emergency Mexican Official Standard NOM-EM-013-Z00-1996, Treatment, Transport, Handling, Use, Storage and Marketing of Hens and Chickens
5.	Description of content: The Standard immediately establishes procedures for the treatment, transport, handling, use, storage and marketing of hens and chickens in order to reduce the risk of spread of poultry pests and diseases.
6.	Objective and rationale: Animal health
7.	Nature of the urgent problem(s): In order to protect domestic poultry farmers from avian influenza, Newcastle disease, avian salmonellosis and other diseases, strict controls must be established immediately in order to prevent the introduction of these diseases in areas where there is no sign of them at present.
8.	An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist [X]. If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, whenever possible, identify deviations:
9.	Relevant documents: Official Journal of 20 March 1996
10.	Date of entry into force/period of application (as applicable): 21 March 1996
11.	Texts available from/comments to: National enquiry point [X] or address and telefax number of other body: