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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: AUSTRALIA If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
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): Fresh melons (excl. watermelons) (HS code(s): 080719)
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries: Korea, Republic of
5.	Title of the notified document: Fresh melons for human consumption from the Republic of Korea. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 1 https://bicon.agriculture.gov.au/BiconWeb4.0
6.	Description of content: Australia has published import conditions for the import of fresh oriental melons and rockmelon for human consumption from the Republic of Korea. Fresh melons from Korea are permitted to be imported into Australia during the seasonal area freedom period: from 1 December to 31 May. Australia and Korea have agreed to the phytosanitary measure, seasonal area freedom, to manage the quarantine fruit fly, <i>Zeugodacus depressus</i> , to achieve the appropriate level of protection for Australia.
7.	Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): ISPM 2 and ISPM 11 <input type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:	
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: https://www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity-trade/policy/risk-analysis/plant/melons-from-korea - Oriental melon and rockmelon fruit from Korea https://bicon.agriculture.gov.au/BiconWeb4.0 - Australian Biosecurity Import Conditions (BICON) (available in English)
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 1 August 2023 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 1 August 2023
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 August 2023 [X] Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 August 2023 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Australian Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry GPO Box 858 Canberra ACT 2601 Australia Tel: +(61 2) 6272 3933 Email: sps.contact@aff.gov.au Website: http://www.agriculture.gov.au
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