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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2004 on official controls performed to ensure the verification of compliance with feed and food law, animal health and animal welfare rules[(1)], and in particular Article 15(5) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 669/2009[(2)] lays down rules concerning the increased level of official controls to be carried out on imports of feed and food of non-animal origin listed in Annex I thereto ('the list'), at the points of entry into the territories referred to in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 882/2004.

(2) Article 2 of Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 provides that the list is to be reviewed on a regular basis, and at least quarterly, taking into account at least the sources of information referred to in that Article.

(3) The occurrence and relevance of recent food incidents notified through the Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed, the findings of audits to third countries carried out by the Directorate for Health and Food Audits and Analysis of the Commission Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety, as well as the quarterly reports on consignments of feed and food of non-animal origin submitted by Member States to the Commission in accordance with Article 15 of Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 indicate that the list should be amended.

(4) In particular, for consignments of groundnuts and derived products originating from Madagascar, palm oil from Ghana, and lemons from Turkey the relevant sources of information indicate the emergence of new risks requiring the introduction of an increased level of official controls. Entries concerning those consignments should therefore be included in the list.

(5) The list should also be amended by deleting the entries for commodities for which the available information indicates an overall satisfactory degree of compliance with

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the relevant safety requirements provided for in Union legislation and for which an increased level of official controls is therefore no longer justified. The entries in the list concerning aubergines and bitter melon from the Dominican Republic should therefore be deleted.

(6) In order to ensure consistency and clarity, it is appropriate to replace Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 by the text set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

(7) Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 should therefore be amended accordingly.

(8) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 is replaced by the text set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

It shall apply from 1 April 2016.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 23 March 2016.

For the Commission

The President

Jean-Claude JUNCKER

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ANNEX

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Feed and food of non-animal origin subject to an increased level of official controls at the designated point of entry

Feed and food(intended use)	**CN code**[a]	**TARIC sub-division**	**Country of origin**	**Hazard**	**Frequency of physical and identity checks (%)**
Dried grapes (vine fruit) ***(Food)***	0806 20		**Afghanistan (AF)**	Ochratoxin A	50
— Almonds, in shell	0802 11		**Australia (AU)**	Aflatoxins	20
— Almonds, shelled	0802 12				
(Food)					
— Yardlong beans (*Vigna unguiculata* spp. *sesquipedalis*)	ex 0708 20 00; ex 0710 22 00	**10** **10**	**Cambodia (KH)**	Pesticide residues[bc]	50
— Aubergines	0709 30 00;				
	ex 0710 80 95	**72**			
(Food — fresh, chilled or frozen vegetables)					
Chinese celery (*Apium graveolens*) ***(Food — fresh or chilled herb)***	ex 0709 40 00	**20**	**Cambodia (KH)**	Pesticide residues[bd]	50
Brassica oleracea (other edible Brassica,	ex 0704 90 90	**40**	**China (CN)**	Pesticide residues[b]	50

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"Chinese Broccoli")[e] ***(Food — fresh or chilled)***					
Tea, whether or not flavoured ***(Food)***	0902		**China (CN)**	Pesticide residues[bf]	10
— Yardlong beans (*Vigna unguiculata* spp. *sesquipedalis*)	ex 0708 20 00; ex 0710 22 00	**10** **10**	**Dominican Republic (DO)**	Pesticide residues[bg]	20
— Peppers (sweet and other than sweet) (*Capsicum* spp.)	0709 60 10; 0710 80 51				
(Food — fresh, chilled or frozen vegetables)	— ex 0709 60 99; ex 0710 80 59	**20** **20**			
Strawberries ***(Food — fresh or chilled)***	0810 10 00		**Egypt (EG)**	Pesticide residues[bh]	10
Peppers (sweet and other than sweet) (*Capsicum* spp.)	— 0709 60 10; 0710 80 51		**Egypt (EG)**	Pesticide residues[bi]	10
(Food — fresh, chilled or frozen)	— ex 0709 60 99; ex 0710 80 59	**20** **20**			
— Groundnuts (peanuts), in shell	1202 41 00		**Gambia (GM)**	Aflatoxins	50
— Groundnuts (peanuts), shelled	1202 42 00				

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— Peanut butter	2008 11 10				
— Groundnuts (peanuts), otherwise prepared or preserved	2008 11 91; 2008 11 96; 2008 11 98				
(Feed and food)					
Palm oil ***(Food)***	1511 10 90;		**Ghana (GH)**	Sudan dyes[j]	50
	1511 90 11;				
	1511 90 19;	**90**			
	1511 90 99				
Sesamum seeds ***(Food — fresh or chilled)***	1207 40 90		**India (IN)**	Salmonella[k]	20
Enzymes; prepared enzymes ***(Feed and food)***	3507		**India (IN)**	Chloramphenicol	50
Peas with pods (unshelled) ***(Food — fresh or chilled)***	ex 0708 10 00	**40**	**Kenya (KE)**	Pesticide residues[bl]	10
— Groundnuts (peanuts), in shell	1202 41 00		**Madagascar (MG)**	Aflatoxins	50
— Groundnuts (peanuts), shelled	1202 42 00				
— Peanut butter	2008 11 10				
— Groundnuts (peanuts), otherwise	2008 11 91; 2008 11 96; 2008 11 98				