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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>REPUBLIC OF ARGENTINA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: National Agriculture and Food Quality and Health Service (SENASA)
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-cut flowers, inflorescences, fruits and foliage used for ornamental purposes.
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: All parties trading such products with Argentina.
5.	Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: "Draft General Technical Regulations for determining the identity and quality of fresh-cut flowers, inflorescences, fruits and foliage used for ornamental purposes" (19 pages in Spanish).
6.	Description of content: The notified draft regulations lay down the characteristics of identity, quality, preparation, packaging and presentation for the aforementioned products and establish minimum quality and tolerance specifications for each regulated species, with respect to spots, bruises, wounds, scars, damage caused by physical, biological and/or chemical agents, extraneous matter, growth defects and malformations.
7.	Objective and rationale: <input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests
8.	International standard, guideline or recommendation: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input type="checkbox"/> Office International des Epizooties, <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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 General Technical Regulations for determining the identity and quality of fresh-cut flowers, inflorescences, fruits and foliage used for ornamental purposes", available in Spanish.
10.	Proposed date of adoption: 30 September 2002
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: 30 September 2002

12. Final date for comments: 23 September 2002

Agency or authority designated to handle comments: ☒ National notification authority, ☐ National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:

13. Texts available from: ☒ National notification authority, ☐ National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:

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