

# WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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## NOTIFICATION

1.	<b>Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Agriculture
3.	<b>Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable).</b>  <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Genetically modified animals, plants (including seeds, breeding livestock and poultry, aquatic fry and seeds) and micro-organisms;</li><li>2. Products of genetically modified animals, plants and micro-organisms;</li><li>3. Products directly processed from genetically modified agricultural products;</li><li>4. Seeds, breeding livestock and poultry, aquatic fry and seeds, pesticides, veterinary medicines and biologics, fertilizers, additives and other products containing genetically modified animals, plants and micro-organisms or their products.</li></ol> <b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> All countries or regions
4.	<b>Title and number of pages of the notified document:</b> Provisional Measures on Safety Control of Agricultural Genetically Modified Organisms, Administrative Procedures of the Provisional Measures on Safety Control of Agricultural Genetically Modified Organisms
5.	<b>Description of content:</b> The Provisional Measures and its Administrative Procedures provide that exporters of agricultural genetically modified organisms may continue their export to China by applying for a provisional certificate with valid safety assessment documents of the exporting country/region or of a third country/region once their applications for the agricultural genetically modified organisms safety certificate of China have been made and the approval is pending. The Provisional Measures and its Administrative Procedures will be valid until 20 December 2002.
6.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> [ X ] food safety, [ X ] animal health, [ X ] plant protection, [ X ] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ] protect territory from other damage from pests

<sup>1</sup> Notification submitted pursuant to Section 14 of the Protocol of Accession of the People's Republic of China (document WT/L/432).

<b>7.</b>	<b>An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist [ X ]. If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:</b>
<b>8.</b>	<b>Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> Public Notice of Ministry of Agriculture No.190 (Available in Chinese)
<b>9.</b>	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> Not applicable
<b>10.</b>	<b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> Not applicable
<b>11.</b>	<b>Final date for comments:</b> Not applicable <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> [ X ] National notification authority, [ ] National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:
<b>12.</b>	<b>Texts available from:</b> [ X ] National notification authority, [ ] National enquiry point or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body: