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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>MALAWI</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Department of Animal Health and Industry (DAHI) – National Notification Authority
3.	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). Poultry and poultry products Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: SADC member states especially South Africa, Zimbabwe and Zambia as well as overseas trading partners like the United States of America, Great Britain, Germany and Holland.
4.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Proposed Amendment to Poultry Product Import Permit (serial number from 0001, VET.71573/IBM/2.828A; 2-page Import Permit sample)
5.	Description of content: This proposed regulatory amendment to the old Import Permits for poultry and poultry products introduces the element of a "best before" use labelling requirement on batches of table eggs and chicken meat imported into Malawi to ensure that sub-standard and unwholesome poultry products are not introduced onto the Malawi market. This regulatory amendment also specifies naturally produced poultry meats, without use of growth promoting hormones and prevention of re-exports of poultry products into Malawi from third countries (see 2-page Poultry Product Import Permit sample)
6.	Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [] animal health, [] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests
7.	An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist []. If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations: This proposed regulatory amendment is necessary to prevent introduction of sub-standard, unwholesome poultry products onto the Malawi market and dumping of poultry products from third countries.
8.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Department of Animal Health and Industry (DAHI) Poultry Product Import Permit (VET.71573/IBM/2.828A (2-page Import Permit sample, available in English)
9.	Proposed date of adoption: 1 February 2001
10.	Proposed date of entry into force: 1 March 2001

11. Final date for comments: DAHI invites your comments and will consider all comments received before 1 March 2001.

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:**

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12. 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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