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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>CANADA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Department of Health
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). Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Nicosulfuron
4.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Proposed Amendment to the Food and Drug Regulations (1140 –Nicosulfuron) (pages 2922-2994)
5.	Description of content: Under authority of the <i>Pest Control Products Act</i> , the Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA) of Health Canada has approved an application for the registration of the pest control product (pesticide) nicosulfuron as a selective herbicide for the control of annual and perennial weeds including <i>Sorghum halepense</i> and <i>Agropyron</i> repens in corn as a post-emergent treatment. This proposed regulatory amendment would establish a Maximum Residue Limit (MRL) under the <i>Food and Drugs Act</i> for residues of nicosulfuron resulting from this use in corn, in order to permit the sale of food containing these residues. After the review of all available data, the PMRA has determined that an MRL for nicosulfuron of 0.1 parts per million (p.p.m.) in corn would not pose an unacceptable health risk to the public.
6.	Objective and rationale: <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests
7.	An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> . If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:
8.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Canada Gazette, Part 1, 2 October 1999; English and French
9.	Proposed date of adoption: Not stated.
10.	Proposed date of entry into force: Not stated.

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| 11. | Final date for comments: 1 December 1999
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