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To: Food safety Competent Authorities of exporting countries

The National Authority for Agro-Forestry-Fishery Quality, Processing and Market Development (NAFIQPM), Vietnam Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MARD) would like to express its compliments to you.

In accordance with the Regulation (EC) No. 178/2002, 852/2004, 853/2004, 2017/625, 2020/2235, 2022/2292 regarding to official control on hygiene and food safety rules for the whole chain of production, preparation, processing and storage of fish and fishery products intended for export to the EU, NAFIQPM would like to inform the contents of attestation required for fish and fishery consignments imported into Vietnam for further processing and re-export to the EU as follows:

1. General attestation required for fish and fishery consignments imported into Vietnam for further processing and re-export to the EU:

- Come from countries/regions, (an) establishment(s) (factory vessels, freezer vessels, reefer vessels, processing plants, cold stores) being approved and listed by EU.

- Be produced, prepared, processed and stored hygienically in compliance with the Regulations (EC) No. 178/2002, 852/2004, 853/2004.

- Products meet requirements of microbiological criteria, contaminants, labelling in compliance with the EU regulations and undergone the official control and monitoring by Competent Authority during production.

2. Attestation required to be included into the health/veterinary certificate issued by competent authority of exporting country for consignments of fish and fishery products, bivalve molluscs is described in the enclosed Appendix.

3. For frozen tuna consignments, apart from the attestation required in above Section 1 & 2, the health/veterinary certificates accompanied with consignments must include the attestation on freezing method(s) (such as frozen in Brine, Blast, Contact freezing or combination, etc.), freezing temperature preserved for fish on board vessels and certification for products are fit for canning industry or human consumption.

In order to create favorable conditions for us to control and have enough information to carry out certification for fish and fishery consignments processed in Vietnam from raw materials imported from your country and re-exported to the

EU, NAFIQPM would like to request you to issue Certificate with the above-mentioned attestation contents in case your exporters/establishment owners request for their consignments intended for export to Vietnam.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Yours sincerely,



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C.c: - Embassies of exporting countries in Vietnam

- Embassies of Vietnam to exporting countries.



Appendix:

The required attestation in health/veterinary certificates applied to fish and fishery consignments imported into Vietnam for further processing and export to the EU for human consumption

Enclosed with the letter No. 629/CCPT-ATTP August 16th 2023 of NAFIQPM)

No	Type of product	Contents of attestation in health/veterinary certificate applied to fish and fishery consignments imported into Vietnam for further processing and re-export to the EU	Reference legal documents
1	Fish, crustacean and products thereof for human consumption	<p>“-have been obtained in the region(s) or country(ies)which, at the date of issue of this certificate is/are authorised for entry into the Union of fishery products and in Annex IX to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/405;</p> <p>-come from (an) establishment(s) applying general hygiene requirements and implementing a programme based on the hazard analysis and critical control points (HACCP) principles in accordance with Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 852/2004, regularly audited by the competent authorities, and being listed as an EU approved establishment;</p> <p>-have been caught and handled on board vessels, landed, handled and where appropriate prepared, processed, frozen and thawed hygienically in compliance with the requirements laid down in Section VIII, Chapters I to IV of Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004;</p> <p>- have not been stored in holds, tanks or containers used for other purposes than the production and/or storage of fishery products;</p> <p>- satisfy the health standards laid down in Section VIII, Chapter V of Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 and the criteria laid down in Commission Regulation (EC) No 2073/2005;</p> <p>- have been packaged, stored and transported in compliance with Section VIII, Chapters VI to VIII of Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004;</p> <p>- have been marked in accordance with Section I of Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004;</p> <p>-fulfil the guarantees covering live animals and products thereof, if of aquaculture origin, provided by the residue plans submitted in accordance with Article 29 of Council Directive 96/23/EC, and the concerned animals and products are listed in Commission Decision 2011/163/EU for the concerned country of origin;</p>	Part II.1. Health Attestation, Chapter 28, Certificate Model: Fish-Crust-HC, Annex III Regulation EU 2020/2235

		<p>-have been produced under conditions guaranteeing compliance with the maximum levels for contaminants laid down in Commission Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006;</p> <p>-have satisfactorily undergone the official controls laid down in Articles 67 to 71 of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/627.”</p>	
2	<p>Fish, crustacean landed and unloaded from the EU approved vessels or transhipped in the third country before exporting to Vietnam</p>	<p>“- have been landed and unloaded hygienically from the approved/registered vessel(s) (indicate approval/registration number(s)) in compliance with the relevant requirements laid down in Chapter II of Section VIII, of Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004;</p> <p>- if applicable, have been stored in approved cold store(s) (indicate approval number(s)) in compliance with the relevant requirements of Chapter VII of Section VIII of Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004;</p> <p>- if applicable, have been loaded hygienically on the approved vessel(s) (indicate approval number(s)) and the flag of the Member State(s) or third country(ies) vessels and the name of the flag third country(ies)) in compliance with the relevant requirements laid down in Chapter I and VIII of Section VIII of Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004;</p> <p>-if applicable, have been loaded in a container (indicate container number) or in a truck (indicate registration number plate of truck and of trailer) or in an aeroplane (indicate the flight number) in compliance with the requirements laid down in Chapter VIII of Section VIII of Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004; and</p> <p>- are accompanied by the print outs(s) of the Transhipment Declaration/Landing Declaration or relevant parts thereof.</p> <p>- fulfil the guarantees covering live animals and products thereof, if of aquaculture origin, provided by the residue plans submitted in accordance with Article 29 of Council Directive 96/23/EC, and the concerned animals and products are listed in Commission Decision 2011/163/EU for the concerned country of origin;</p> <p>- have been produced under conditions guaranteeing compliance with the maximum residue levels for contaminants laid down in Commission Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006.”</p>	<p>Part II.1. Health Attestation, Chapter 29, Certificate Model: EU-FISH-HC, Annex III Regulation EU 2020/2235</p>
	<p>Bivalve molluscs,</p>	<p>“- have been obtained in the region(s) or country(ies)which, at the date of issue of this certificate is/are</p>	<p>Phần II.1. Health</p>

<p><i>echinoderms, tunicates, gastropods</i></p>	<p><i>authorised for entry into the Union of (4)[live bivalve molluscs] (4)[live echinoderms] (4)[live tunicates] (4)[live marine gastropods] (4)[products of animal origin derived from live bivalve molluscs/live echinoderms/live tunicates/live marine gastropods], and listed in Annex VIII to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/405;</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>- come from (an) establishment(s) applying general hygiene requirements and implementing a programme based on the hazard analysis and critical control points (HACCP) principles in accordance with Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 852/2004, regularly audited by the competent authorities, and being listed as an EU approved establishment;</i> <i>- have been harvested, where necessary relayed and transported in accordance with Section VII, Chapters I and II, of Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004;</i> <i>- were handled, where necessary purified, and packaged in compliance with Section VII, Chapters III and IV, of Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004</i> <i>- were prepared, processed, frozen and thawed hygienically in compliance with the requirements laid down in Section VIII, Chapters III and IV, of Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004</i> <i>- satisfy the health standards laid down in Section VII, Chapter V, of Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004, (4)[Section VIII, Chapter V, of Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004] and the criteria laid down in Commission Regulation (EC) No 2073/2005;</i> <i>- have been packaged, stored and transported in compliance with (4)[Section VII, Chapters VI and VIII, of Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004] (4)[Section VIII, Chapters VI to VIII, of Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004];</i> <i>- have been marked and labelled in accordance with (4)[Section I of Annex II and Section VII, Chapter VII, of Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004] (4)[Section I of Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004];</i> <i>- in the case of Pectinidae, marine gastropods and Holothuroidea that are not filter feeders harvested outside classified production areas, these comply with the specific requirements laid down in Section VII, Chapter IX, of Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004;</i> <i>- come from a production area classified according to Article 52 of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/627 as [A] [B] or [C] at the moment of their</i> 	<p><i>Attestation, Chapter 31, Certificate Model: MOL-HC, Annex III Regulation EU 2020/2235</i></p>
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harvesting (please indicate the classification of the production area at the moment of harvesting) (except for Pectinidae, marine gastropods and Holothuroidea that are not filter feeders, which are harvested outside classified production areas);

- have satisfactorily undergone the official controls laid down in (4)[Articles 51 to 66 of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/627 or in Article 11 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/624] (4)[Articles 69 to 71 of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/627];
- fulfil the guarantees covering live animals and products thereof, if of aquaculture origin, provided by the residue plans submitted in accordance with Article 29 of Council Directive 96/23/EC, and the concerned animals and products are listed in Commission Decision 2011/163/EU for the concerned country of origin;
- have been produced under conditions guaranteeing compliance with the maximum residue levels for pesticides laid down in Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council, and the maximum levels for contaminants laid down in Commission Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006."