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Letter from the Import and Export Food Safety Bureau of the General Administration of Customs on ensuring the safety of cold-chain food exported to China

Embassy of the Republic of Turkey,

On Nov 16th, Comprehensive Group of The State Council's Joint Prevention and Control Mechanism for COVID-19 released "Novel Coronavirus prevention and control Technology Guide for cold chain food production and management" and "Disinfection Technology Guide on Novel Coronavirus prevention and Control during Cold chain food production and management process", which clearly stipulates that daily body temperature testing and regular nucleic acid testing should be carried out on working staff, and regular disinfection of production and working environment should be carried out. Relevant units and practitioners of cold chain food in China have organized production according to the above guidelines to prevent contamination from novel Coronavirus.

In accordance with international practices and rules, the competent authorities of your country are requested to notify the above-mentioned technical guidelines of China to the production and operation enterprises of cold chain food (including fruits and other edible agricultural products, the same below) that are exported to China. Please follow the novel Coronavirus prevention and control work in the production and operation process to maintain consumer and market confidence and promote the development of trade. In addition, if you can conduct a sample test of Novel Coronavirus nucleic acid test on the cold chain food and its package before it is exported to China to verify the implementation effect of the relevant safety protection measures, it will further enhance the reputation of your export commodities and Chinese consumers' confidence in your products.

China is open to cooperation and welcomes safe and high-quality food from your country. Please convey the above advice to your food safety authorities and look forward to further cooperation.

The General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the Republic of Turkey the assurances of its highest consideration.

Attachment:

"Novel Coronavirus prevention and control Technology Guide for cold chain food production and management" and "Disinfection Technology Guide on

Novel Coronavirus prevention and Control during Cold chain food production and management process"

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