NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 6 December 2018, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of New Zealand.

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Title: Consumers' Right to Know (Country of Origin of Food) Act 2018

Agency responsible: Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

Action: Royal assent to the Consumers' Right to Know (Country of Origin of Food) Act 2018

Summary: On 3 December 2018 the Consumers' Right to Know (Country of Origin of Food) Act 2018 was given Royal assent, and came into force on 4 December 2018. The purpose of this Act is to provide for a simple mandatory system in New Zealand that provides consumers with accurate information about the country or place of origin of certain foods to enable informed decisions about purchasing the food. The Act requires the Minister of Commerce and Consumer Affairs to recommend the making of regulations under the Fair Trading Act 1986 prescribing a consumer information standard for the disclosure of a regulated food's country or place of origin. The Minister must make the recommendation as soon as practicable after the commencement of this Act, but no later than 18 months after its commencement. The recommended regulations will contain the majority of the substantive details related to the labelling requirements. There will be a further opportunity for Members to comment when New Zealand notifies the draft Regulations in due course.

[http://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2018/0052/latest/DLM4311404.html?search=qs\_act%40bill%40regulation%40deemedreg\_consumers%27+right+to+know+(country+of+origin+of+food)+act\_resel\_25\_h&p=1&sr=1](http://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2018/0052/latest/DLM4311404.html?search=qs_act%40bill%40regulation%40deemedreg_consumers%27+right+to+know+(country+of+origin+of+food)+act_resel_25_h&p=1&sr=1" \t "_blank)

<http://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/1986/0121/latest/DLM96439.html?src=qs>

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