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General Issues of Interest to the CCB:

Brazilian Ports Transition to a Paperless Inspection Scheduling Tool

- On July 15, Brazil's National Health Surveillance Agency (Anvisa) [announced](#) (in Portuguese) that the ability to schedule vessel inspections in Brazilian ports has been added to the country's Paperless Port (PSP) System.
- The program was piloted in several ports throughout Brazil to ensure effectiveness and, from July 15, will be required to be used in all ports. Anvisa has published a [guide](#) (in Portuguese) on how to use the new tool.

China Notifies Fourth Consultation on Draft Labeling of Prepackaged Food Standard

- On July 11, China [notified the WTO](#) of its [fourth draft edition](#) (in Chinese) replacing *GB 7718-2011 General Rules for the Labeling of Prepackaged Foods* ([English translation of current standard](#)) (*BCI Monitor 7-9-24*).
- Notably, China has published and notified the WTO of proposed amendments to *GB 7718-2011* several times in 2024 and USDA FAS has also published several GAIN Reports providing unofficial English translations of the drafts ([most recent](#)) (*BCI Monitor 1-30-24, 2-13-24, 2-20-24, 3-19-24*).
- Of interest to CCB, the latest draft edition includes the modification of the definition of prepackaged foods to include "foods packaged or made up in advance in a package and a container that are sold by weight." It is currently unclear if these modifications impact cherries, which are not subject to the current standard *GB 7718-2011*.
- Comments can be sent to the U.S. SPS Inquiry Point at us.spsenquiry@fas.usda.gov. The WTO comment deadline is August 16, 2024.

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