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GENERAL ISSUES OF INTEREST TO THE CCB:

South Korea Notifies Changes to Quarantine Pest List

- On March 19, South Korea [notified](#) the WTO that its Animal and Plant Quarantine Agency (APQA), Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (MAFRA) amended its quarantine pest list.
- A [list of newly added quarantine pests](#) from August 2025 is provided by APQA.
- Comments can be sent to the U.S. SPS Enquiry Point at us.spsenquiry@fas.usda.gov. The WTO comment deadline is May 18, 2025.

EU Delaying Initial Retaliatory Tariffs on U.S.

- The European Union (EU) is delaying retaliatory tariffs on U.S. products that were scheduled to enter into force April 1, according to media [reporting](#) of EU Trade Commissioner Maroš Šefčovič's comments on March 20 to the European Parliament's International Trade Committee (INTA) (*BCI Monitor 3-18-25*).
- Instead of allowing the previously suspended retaliatory tariffs on the U.S. to enter into effect on April 1, the EU is grouping these tariffs with a second list of [proposed additional tariffs](#) on the U.S. which may be imposed by mid-April. These are being combined to account for potential U.S. reciprocal tariffs from April 2 so that the EU may review and negotiate responses to both the existing steel and aluminum tariffs imposed by the U.S. as well as any reciprocal tariffs.
- Neither the list of tariffs being delayed nor the list of additional tariffs include fresh cherries.

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