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Decree of 8 April 2016 laying down the date of entry into force of the Nagoya Protocol Implementation Act (*Wet implementatie Nagoya Protocol*)

We Willem-Alexander, by the grace of God, King of the Netherlands, Prince of Orange-Nassau etc.

On the recommendation of the Minister for Agriculture of 4 April 2016, No. WJZ/16028770;
Having regard to Section 9 of the Nagoya Protocol Implementation Act;

Have approved and decreed:

Sole Section

The Nagoya Protocol Implementation Act will enter into force on the day after the publication date of the Bulletin of Acts and Decrees in which this decree is published.

Our Minister of Economic Affairs is charged with the implementation of this decree, which will be published in the Bulletin of Acts and Decrees.

Wassenaar, 8 April 2016

Willem-Alexander

The Minister for Agriculture,
M.H.P. van Dam

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The Minister of Security and Justice,
G.A. van der Steur

EXPLANATORY NOTES

This decree constitutes the entry into force of the Nagoya Protocol Implementation Act on the day after the publication date of the Bulletin of Acts and Decrees in which it this decree published. This Act lays the foundation for the implementation of the EU regulations on genetic resources. This concerns Regulation (EU) No. 511/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 on compliance measures for users from the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization in the Union (OJ EU 2014, L 150) and Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/1866 of the Commission of 13 October 2015 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Regulation (EU) No. 511/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the register of collections, monitoring user compliance and best practices (PbEU 2015, L 275). Simultaneously with this Act a regulation will enter into force in which various articles from the EU regulation will be designated as criminal offences. The elaboration of this system is the reason that the Nagoya Protocol Implementation Act cannot enter into force until this decree has been published.

The Minister for Agriculture,
M.H.P. van Dam