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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>NEW ZEALAND</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Ministry for Primary Industries
3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Pelleted seeds for sowing
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Risk Management Proposal: Proposed amendment to the IHS 155.02.05: Seeds for sowing and requirements for the importation of pelleted seeds for sowing Language(s): English Number of pages: 30 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/NZL/20_0848_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: Proposed amendment include: All pelleted seed lots must be accompanied by a phytosanitary certificate and an ISTA or AOSA seed analysis certificate. <i>Beta vulgaris</i> and vegetable species imported as pelleted seed are required to be tested for the presence of a quarantine weed or contaminants on a "bare" seed sample or pelleted seed sample on arrival at the New Zealand border. Pelleted <i>Lactuca sativa</i> seed lots are required to be tested at the ratio of 1 in 10 lots for the presence of a quarantine weed or contaminants on a pelleted seed sample on arrival at the New Zealand border.
7. Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): 38 <input type="checkbox"/> None

<p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>	
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
10.	<p>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 17 April 2020</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 17 April 2020</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 17 April 2020</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 4 April 2020</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Sally Jennings, Coordinator, SPS New Zealand PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand Tel: +(644) 894 0431 Fax: +(644) 894 0733 E-mail: sps@mpi.govt.nz Website: https://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing/overview/access-and-trade-into-new-zealand/world-trade-organization-notifications/</p>
13.	<p>Text(s) available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Sally Jennings, Coordinator, SPS New Zealand PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand Tel: +(644) 894 0431 Fax: +(644) 894 0733 E-mail: sps@mpi.govt.nz Website: https://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing/overview/access-and-trade-into-new-zealand/world-trade-organization-notifications/</p>