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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

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): Species of the genus <i>Ficus</i> that are eligible to be imported into New Zealand as whole plants, cuttings and tissue culture
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: Import Health Standard 155.02.06: Importation of Nursery Stock. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 389 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/NZL/20_1214_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: The import health standard describes import specifications and entry conditions for nursery stock/plants for planting imported into New Zealand.
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. Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action: The import requirements for whole plants, cuttings and tissue culture of the genus <i>Ficus</i> have been urgently amended to apply measures for the management of the bacterium <i>Ralstonia pseudosolanacearum</i> . This decision is based on the identification of <i>Ficus carica</i> as a host for <i>Ralstonia pseudosolanacearum</i> in the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) emerging risk system and the change in regulatory status for the bacterium in October 2018. MPI will undertake further risk assessment to ensure that the continued use of these measures for <i>Ralstonia pseudosolanacearum</i> are justified. Once completed, this will be sent out for consultation.
9. 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): 1

<p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><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>
<p>10. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p>
<p>11. Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable): 7 February 2020</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. 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>Mrs 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>
<p>13. 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>Mrs 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>