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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): <i>Musa</i> plants for planting (tissue culture, whole plants)
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: Importation of Nursery Stock (155.02.06). Language(s): English. Number of pages: 362
6. Description of content: An amendment to add emergency measures has been undertaken in the <i>Musa</i> section in Part 3 of the notified document. The amendment adds a requirement for an import permit when importing <i>Musa</i> tissue culture into New Zealand. Guidance for importers was also added to the requirements for <i>Musa</i> tissue culture and whole plants.
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 Ministry for Primary Industries has become aware that the current requirements for importing <i>Musa</i> plants for planting into New Zealand do not provide an appropriate level of protection for the biosecurity risks associated with <i>Musa</i> tissue culture. The new requirement for a permit serves as an interim measure to manage biosecurity risk while a permanent solution is developed.
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): ISPM no. 13 <input type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:
10. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
11. Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable): 27 January 2022 <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure
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: Ms Sally Griffin, Coordinator, SPS New Zealand, PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand, Tel: +(64 4) 894 0431, Fax: +(64 4) 894 0733, E-mail: sps@mpi.govt.nz
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