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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: SOUTH AFRICA
	If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: National Plant Protection Organisation of South Africa (NPPOZA): Directorate Inspection Services
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): All plants and plant products requiring a phytosanitary certificate
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
	[X] All trading partners
	[] Specific regions or countries:
5.	Title of the notified document: National Plant Protection Organisation of South Africa (NPPOZA) ability to receive ePhytos via the IPPC hub. Language(s): English. Number of pages:
6.	Description of content: The South African eCertification system has developed a module that allows for the receipt of ePhytos sent via the IPPC hub.
	Trading partners to note that they can now send phytosanitary certitificates (ePhytos) to the NPPOZA electronically.
7.	Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [] animal health, [X] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:
	[] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):
	[] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):
	[X] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): ISPM No. 12
	[] None
	Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?
	[X] Yes [] No
	If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:

- **10. Proposed date of adoption (***dd/mm/yy***):** 1 April 2022
 - Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 1 April 2022
- **11.** Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*: 1 April 2022
 - [X] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 15 March 2022

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13. Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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