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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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): Seeds for sowing of Carya spp. and Arachis hypogaea
- 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:** Import Health Standard 155.02.05: *Seeds for Sowing*. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 177

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/NZL/22 7373 00 e.pdf

- **6. Description of content:** The amendment adds emergency measures for:
 - Xylella fastidiosa on all Carya spp. eligible for import into New Zealand as seeds for sowing; and
 - Ralstonia pseudosolanacearum on Arachis hypogaea seeds for sowing.

The import health standard describes import requirements for seeds for sowing imported into New Zealand.

The measures to manage *Xylella fastidiosa* on the *Carya* spp. seeds for sowing are:

- i. For seeds produced in a country recognized by MPI as free from Xylella fastidiosa, an additional declaration on the phytosanitary certificate that:
 "The seeds in this consignment have been grown in, and exported from, the country of origin [insert country name], which is free from Xylella fastidiosa."
- ii. For seeds produced in a country not recognized by MPI as free from Xylella fastidiosa, an additional declaration on the phytosanitary certificate that:"The seeds in this consignment have been grown in, and exported from, a pest free area [insert area name] or pest free place of production [insert place name], which is free from Xylella fastidiosa."

AND

Level 2 post entry quarantine for a minimum period of 6 months with growing season inspection for disease symptom expression and PCR testing of plants for *Xylella fastidiosa* during the quarantine period.

The measures for *Ralstonia pseudosolanacearum* on *Arachis hypogaea* seeds for sowing are:

An additional declaration on the phytosanitary certificate that:

The Arachis hypogaea seeds have been:

produced in a pest free area, free from ${\it Ralstonia\ pseudosolanacearum\ OR}$

produced in a pest free place of production, free from $\it Ralstonia\ pseudosolanacearum\ OR$

officially tested, on a representative sample of a minimum of 400 seeds, officially drawn according to ISTA or AOSA sampling methodology, using an NPPO-approved testing method, and found free from *Ralstonia pseudosolanacearum*.

The testing must be completed offshore prior to export, or on arrival in New Zealand.

- 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. Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action:** Provisional measures are being adopted to prevent the introduction of *Ralstonia pseudosolanacearum* and *Xylella fastidiosa* into New Zealand on *Arachis hypogaea* and *Carya* spp. seeds for sowing (respectively). There is evidence that these host seeds can be a pathway for introduction of these pests into New Zealand and there are no specific measures in place in the Import Health Standard 155.02.05: *Seeds for Sowing* to manage the risk while a pest risk analysis is completed.
- 9. 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 Nos. 13, 7, and 1
 - [] 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:

- 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): 1 November 2022/To be confirmed.
 - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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