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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): Blueberry <i>Vaccinium</i> 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: Risk Management Proposal: Revision of the level of post entry quarantine (PEQ) for blueberry (<i>Vaccinium</i> spp. excluding <i>V. macrocarpon</i>) imported as tissue culture from non-accredited facilities under the Import Health Standard (IHS) 155.02.06: Importation of Nursery Stock. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 53 http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/NZL/17_3682_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: The risk management proposal describes in detail a proposed revision of the <i>Vaccinium</i> schedule of the import health standard (IHS) 155.02.06: Importation of Nursery Stock and can be viewed at the following link: https://mpigovtnz.cwp.govt.nz/document-vault/19640 . The proposed revision will add an additional option to the IHS which will allow <i>Vaccinium</i> tissue cultures from non-accredited facilities to undergo post entry quarantine in a Level 3A greenhouse. This will be in addition to the existing option for quarantine in a Level 3B greenhouse.
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): ISPM N° 1 <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:	
9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:	Import Health Standard 155.02.06: Importation of Nursery Stock: http://mpi.govt.nz/document-vault/1152 (available in English)
10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):	20 October 2017
Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):	20 October 2017
11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):	20 October 2017
[] Trade facilitating measure	
12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):	16 October 2017
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