NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** New Zealand  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Ministry fro 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):** *Pelargonium* and *Epipremnum* nursery stock (whole plants, cuttings [dormant and/non-dormant] and tissue cultures) - falling under the conditions of the *Acacia* and *Epipremnum* schedules respectively - known hosts of *Ralstonia pseudosolanacearum* |
| **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 155.02.06: Importation of Nursery stock. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 402  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/NZL/19_1642_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The standard describes the import specifications and entry conditions for nursery stock imported into 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:** The bacterial pathogen *Ralstonia pseudosolanacearum* has a large distribution and host range. It is reported as causing serious disease within plant species of economic and ecological significance to New Zealand (e.g. members of the *Solanum, Vaccinium, Rosa* and *Anthurium* genera).  The status of *Ralstonia psedosolanacearum* in New Zealand has been confirmed as not present, and the regulatory status has been updated to regulated.  To prevent the introduction of this bacteria to New Zealand on known hosts an urgent amendment has been made to the nursery stock import health standard. Emergency measures have been implemented *under SPS Agreement Article 7, annexe B, part 2 and 6* for the pathogen while a Pest Risk Analysis is completed.  The following host species will now require regulation for *Ralstonia pseudosolanacearum*: *Pelargonium* and *Epipremnum*.  The proposed measures will apply to all countries and are detailed in the *Acacia* (page 34‑37) and *Epipremnum* (page 137-139) *schedules* of the nursery stock import health standard. These measures will apply to whole plants (cuttings [dormant and non-dormant]) and plants in tissue culture. See below for the measures:  Condition for *Ralstonia pseudosolanaceanum*  One of the following Additional Declarations must be endorsed on the phytosanitary certificate:  'The (insert plant species) plants were sourced from a pest free area, free from *Ralstonia pseudosolanacearum*)' Or 'The (insert plant species) plants have been sourced from a 'pest free place of production', where parent plants were tested according to an NPPO approved methodology and found free from *Ralstonia pseudosolanacearum*. |
| **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 N° 4 and 10  **[ ]** **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):** 7 March 2019  **[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure** |
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