NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** NEW ZEALAND  **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):** Fresh avocado (*Persea americana*); Fresh cucumber (*Cucumis sativus*); Fresh pear (*Pyrus communis*); Fresh pumpkin (*Cucurbita pepo*); Fresh butternut (*Cucurbita moschata*); Fresh squash (*Cucurbita maxima*); Fresh watermelon (*Citrullus lanatus*) |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[****]** **All trading partners**  **[****X]** **Specific regions or countries:** Australia |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Importation and Clearance of Fresh Fruit and Vegetables into New Zealand.**Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 393  [https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/NZL/23\_09608\_00\_e.pdf](https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/NZL/23_09608_00_e.pdf" \t "_blank)  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/NZL/23_09608_01_e.pdf>  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/NZL/23_09608_02_e.pdf>  [https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/NZL/23\_09608\_03\_e.pdf](https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/NZL/23_09608_03_e.pdf" \t "_blank)  [https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/NZL/23\_09608\_04\_e.pdf](https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/NZL/23_09608_04_e.pdf" \t "_blank) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** MPI is proposing to add new options for phytosanitary measures on various fresh fruit and vegetable commodities from Australia. The measures are radiation treatment on avocado, cucumber, pear, pumpkin, butternut, squash and watermelon; low-dose methyl bromide fumigation on capsicum; and "winter window + in‑field controls" on pumpkin, butternut and squash. MPI is also proposing to allow importation of butternut and squash from Australia under the same conditions as pumpkin. |
| **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. 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:** |
| **9.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** Risk management proposal: Amendments to the import requirements for fresh fruit and vegetables from Australia  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/NZL/23_09608_05_e.pdf>  (available in English) |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 30 June 2023  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 30 June 2023 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [****]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** 30 June 2023  **[****X]** **Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 31 May 2023  **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:**  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](mailto:sps@mpi.govt.nz)  Website: <https://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing/overview/access-and-trade-into-new-zealand/world-trade-organization-notifications/> |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [****X]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e‑mail address (if available) of other body:**  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](mailto:sps@mpi.govt.nz)  Website: <https://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing/overview/access-and-trade-into-new-zealand/world-trade-organization-notifications/> |