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**DECLARATION OF THAILAND AS FREE FROM  
*STERNOCHETUS MANGIFERAE***

COMMUNICATION FROM THAILAND

The following communication, received on 16 June 2015, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of Thailand.

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Pursuant to Article 7 of the Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures and paragraph 3(b) of Annex B thereto, Thailand hereby advises WTO Members that the Department of Agriculture has conducted a detection survey and identification to determine the presence of the mango seed weevil (*Sternochetus mangiferae*). The validation of information has confirmed that *Sternochetus mangiferae* is absent in Thailand. Information can also be found in the following:

- Identification of Weevils in Genus *Sternochetus*. 2008. Report of the Meeting: The Fifth Consultation Meeting on Cooperation in Plant Quarantine Activities at the Thailand and Malaysia Borders on 22–24 December 2008 at Chiang Mai Orchid Hotel, Chiang Mai Province, Thailand. 6 pp; and
- Detection Survey of Mango Seed Weevil, *Sternochetus mangiferae* (Fabricius) (Coleoptera: Curculionidae) in Thailand. 2010. A paper presented in the Seventh Consultation Meeting on Cooperation in Plant Quarantine Activities at the Thailand and Malaysia Borders, 22-24 November 2010, Nakhorn Ratchasima, Thailand.

It has been notified on the IPPC website dated 1 May 2015 [https://www.ippc.int/static/media/files/eventreporting/2015/04/20/Detection\\_Survey\\_of\\_Mango\\_Seed\\_Weevil\\_from\\_pdf\\_Entozoo\\_journal\\_APDokyM.pdf](https://www.ippc.int/static/media/files/eventreporting/2015/04/20/Detection_Survey_of_Mango_Seed_Weevil_from_pdf_Entozoo_journal_APDokyM.pdf).

Thailand wishes to state that this communication is being made for the purposes of transparency, without prejudice to the country's rights and obligations under the SPS Agreement.

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