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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NEW PHYTOSANITARY CERTIFICATE

COMMUNICATION FROM HONDURAS

The following communication, dated 29 March 2019, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Honduras.

1. The National Agriculture and Food Health and Safety Service (SENASA) wishes to notify World Trade Organization (WTO) Member countries of the new format for International Phytosanitary Export and Re-export Certificates and the corresponding Phytosanitary Annex, which will be signed using a DIGITAL SIGNATURE AND STAMP with QR (Quick Response Code) validation technology. SENASA also provides notification of the register of officials with power of signature for international purposes.

2. The phytosanitary certificate templates can be viewed via the following links:

- Phytosanitary Export Certificate
https://senasa.gob.hn/images/formato_exportacion/INTERNACIONAL.pdf
- Phytosanitary Certificate for Re-export
https://senasa.gob.hn/images/formato_exportacion/re%20exportacion.pdf
- Phytosanitary Annex
https://senasa.gob.hn/images/formato_exportacion/ANEXO%20CERTIFICADO%20FITOSANITARIO%20BLANCO.pdf

3. The authenticity of the signatures of the officials from SENASA's Plant Health Department who approved the phytosanitary certificates can also be viewed and verified on the same website:

- Register of officials with power of signature for international purposes
https://senasa.gob.hn/images/formato_exportacion/Registro%20Firmas%20Internacionales%20Delegados%20SENASA.pdf
- Communiqué
<http://www.senasa.gob.hn/index.php/sub-direcciones/sub-direccion-tecnica-de-sanidad-vegetal/fomatos-de-exportacion/comunicado-detalle-de-cambio>

4. SENASA is available in a fully open manner to clarify any doubts that the phytosanitary authorities of Member countries may have regarding these certificates. To that end, the following contact point has been set up to deal with queries and concerns regarding the phytosanitary certificates: kschumacher@senasa.gob.hn and fpaz@senasa.gob.hn.
