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COMMUNICATION FROM BELIZE

The following communication, received on 13 October 2020, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of Belize.

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1. The Delegation of Belize would like to report participation of several officers of the Belize Agricultural Health Authority in a tutored virtual training on Pest Risk Analysis that took place from 1 July 2020 and made available until 28 August 2020.
 2. This online training was organized by the International Regional Organization for Agricultural Health (OIRSA) and was tutored by a Pest Risk Analysis (PRA) expert from Mexico who is presently the regional Coordinator of OIRSA's Regional Committee for Pest Risk Analysis.
 3. The course was aimed at personnel assigned to the National PRA Units of the Departments and Sub-Departments of Plant Health within the Agricultural Health Services; official personnel of Epidemiological Surveillance, Quarantine Services; as well as technicians and workers of different fields of agricultural productions systems who are agronomists or of related careers, and who have experience in the fields of PRA, phytosanitary surveillance, plant health regulation, or plant quarantine.
 4. The online training consisted of five modules and saw the participation of about 800 professionals from the OIRSA region as well as from South America.
 5. Belize would like to thank OIRSA for organizing the event and for being able to participate in such an important and relevant training.
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