

**NOTIFICATION OF RECOGNITION OF PEST- AND
DISEASE-FREE ZONES**

Communication by Chile

The following communication, received on 5 December 2005, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Chile.

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1. Just as the Committee decided, through the notification system, to support the development of principles such as equivalence, and more recently, special and differential treatment, it would perhaps be useful to consider a similar procedure for the recognition of pest- and disease-free zones, thereby helping to develop the principle of regionalization.
 2. Attached hereto is a proposed notification form that could constitute a useful contribution to the implementation of the principle of regionalization as regards transparency.
 3. This proposed form could be seen as complementary to the other actions developed within the Committee to enhance the application of the principle.
 4. The form could be submitted by an exporting or an importing Member. While it is more likely to be used by exporting Members, there is nothing to prevent an importing Member that so wishes from submitting such notifications.
 5. The form could be filled out in full or in part depending on the stage reached in the process, and a further notification could be submitted once the process has been completed.
 6. Since the document is a proposal, the individual points have not been developed in any detail. However, they are easy enough to comprehend and depending on what the Committee decides, a procedure could be developed for the completion of a notification model.

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1. Member notifying:
2. Request for recognition submitted by: (Member).....
Entity that submitted the request:
3. Member to which the request for recognition was addressed:.....
Entity to which the request was submitted:
4. Date of the request for recognition:
5. Free of: (pest or disease).....
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6. Definition of the zone: (if entire country, please mention).....
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7. Communication of status to the OIE or the IPPC: NO YES Date
8. OIE verification and recognition: NO YES Date.....
9. Country had free status and pest or disease reintroduced: NO YES.....
10. Received reply to request: NO YES
11. Date of recognition or rejection:
12. Reason for rejection:
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