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Submission by New Zealand

Revision

In order to enhance transparency and update New Zealand's submission on technical assistance provided to developing country Members, New Zealand submits the following information to Members.

| FOOD SAFETY RELATED TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE <u>PROVIDED</u> SINCE 1 JANUARY 1995 | | | |
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| Description of particular programme | Form of assistance | Provided to | Contacts |
| Concerns confronting agencies contemplating participation in a mutual recognition arrangement for conformity assessment | Seminar, September 1999 | Philippines | Neil McLeod (NZFSA) neil.mcleod@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| Design and presentation of seminars on risk analysis within the framework of FAO/ILS1 technical assistance to Asia – Beijing, China (1998); Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (1998); Chiang Rai, Thailand (1997); and Bangkok, Thailand (1996). | Technical expertise | China, Malaysia, SE Asia (regional assistance) | Steve Hathaway (NZFSA) steve.hathaway@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| ANZFA/Vietnam food regulation project: Technical assistance and advice to Vietnam to review existing food control and regulatory systems aimed at enhancing quality and safety of domestic and exported foods. The project was commenced in November 1997 and completed in March 2000. | Technical assistance/advice | Vietnam | S Rajasekar (NZFSA) raj.rajasekar@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| Promotion of Codex activities in the South Pacific: New Zealand co-operated with FAO Sub Regional Office for the Pacific providing technical advice and support. Participated in six workshops aimed at promoting Codex standards and activities in the Pacific region and to assist the island nations of the region to participate more effectively in Codex. Details of the workshops held as follows: Tonga (November 1998), Fiji (June 1999), and Cook Islands (August 1999), Samoa (June 2000), Vanuatu (August 2000) and Papua New Guinea (June 2001) | Technical advice | Tonga, Fiji and Cook Islands, Samoa, Vanuatu and Papua New Guinea | S Rajasekar (NZFSA) raj.rajasekar@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| ANZFA/NZ Food Regulatory Review missions to Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand, Papua New Guinea, Peoples Republic of China, Vietnam and the Philippines. | Technical advice | Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand, Papua New Guinea, Peoples Republic of China, Vietnam and the Philippines | S Rajasekar (NZFSA) raj.rajasekar@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| Assistance for Codex food standards workshop | Grant | Cook Islands, Samoa | Guy Redding (NZAID) guy.redding@nzaid.govt.nz |
| ANZFA generic food control systems project to assist Asian developing economies with food regulations and quality control systems, including SPS related mechanisms | Advice, technical expertise | Asian developing economies | Guy Redding (NZAID) guy.redding@nzaid.govt.nz |
| Food-borne pathogen control in meat hygiene | Seminar, Doha, April 1997 | Gulf Cooperation Council countries | Neil Armitage (NZFSA) neil.armitage@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| Review of standards | Panel discussions, March 1998 (with USAID) | Egypt | Neil Armitage (NZFSA) neil.armitage@nzfsa.govt.nz |

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| SPS harmonisation in food safety | Symposium, Washington, July 1998 | Gulf Cooperation Council countries | Neil Armitage (NZFSA) neil.armitage@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| Food safety and human health | Seminar, Doha, November 1998 | Gulf Cooperation Council countries | Neil Armitage (NZFSA) neil.armitage@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| Generic risk management in setting food safety standards | Symposium, Dubai, March 2000 | Gulf Cooperation Council countries | Neil Armitage (NZFSA) neil.armitage@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| Food legislation | Training course in NZ (TASP) | Jordan | Neil Armitage (NZFSA) neil.armitage@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| Science-based risk management in food regulation | Workshop, Hanoi, November 2000 (Japan funded) | Asian developing economies | Neil McLeod (NZFSA) neil.mcleod@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| HACCP and regulatory requirements | Seminar, February 2001 | Dubai | Neil Armitage (NZFSA) neil.armitage@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| Food safety and human health | Seminar, Doha, September 2002 | Gulf Cooperation Council Countries | Neil Armitage (NZFSA) neil.armitage@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| Inspection and certification systems | Review of New Zealand's systems, February 2003 | Egypt Joint Working Group | Neil Armitage (NZFSA) neil.armitage@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| Updates of Saudi standards on expiration period of food products | Comment, May 2004 | Saudi Arabian Standards Organisation | Neil Armitage (NZFSA) neil.armitage@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| Regulatory organisational structures | Review of New Zealand's systems, July 2004 | Saudi Arabia Food and Drug Administration | Neil Armitage (NZFSA) neil.armitage@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| Analysis of benefits and participation considerations involved in mutual recognition arrangements, focus on food regulation. | Workshop, Kuala Lumpur, July 2001 (APEC-Japan funded) | Asian developing economies | Neil McLeod (NZFSA) neil.mcleod@nzfsa.govt.nz |

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| Identifying appropriate food safety outcomes | Conference, January 2002 | WHO/FAO Global Forum | Neil McLeod (NZFSA) neil.mcleod@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| Practical application of the SPS principle of equivalence, in food safety. | Workshop, Mexico, May 2002 | APEC economies | Neil McLeod (NZFSA) neil.mcleod@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| Review of food regulation in Tonga | Review of Tonga's systems, May 2003 and March 2004 | Tonga | S Rajasekar (NZFSA) raj.rajasekar@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| Identifying strategies and actions to enhance food safety in China | Review of China's systems (WHO funded) | China | Jenny Bishop (NZFSA) jenny.bishop@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| Participating in an WHO/FAO working group to develop a guidance document "Obstacles to the application HACCP, particularly in small and least developed businesses, and approaches to overcome them" 2003-2004 | Guidance document | WHO/FAO membership | Jenny Bishop (NZFSA) jenny.bishop@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| Regional workshop on food safety in the Pacific | Workshop, Malaysia, May 2004 | Pacific Island Countries | S Rajasekar (NZFSA) raj.rajasekar@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| Providing scientific advice to Tonga and Fiji regarding a possible review of the Codex standard for cassava | Advice, October 2004 | Tonga and Fiji | Steve Hathaway (NZFSA) steve.hathaway@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| "South Pacific Regional Workshop on Biosecurity Border Management" | Workshop, Nadi, Fiji, April 2005 (part of Pacific Security Fund) | Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Nauru, New Caledonia, Niue, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu | Brendan McDonald (BNZ) mcdonaldb@maf.govt.nz |

ANIMAL HEALTH RELATED TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED SINCE 1 JANUARY 1995

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| One day course. An introduction to animal health risk analysis for 50 regulatory veterinarians from 11 Southern Africa Development Community countries, | Course, Onderstepoort, South Africa, April 1999 (funded by the FAO) | 11 Southern Africa Development Community Countries | Stuart MacDiarmid (NZFSA) stuart.macdiarmid@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| A two day workshop on animal health risk analysis for 50 regulatory veterinarians of the Indonesian Department of Livestock Services | Workshop, Jakarta, Indonesia, July 1999 (funded by British Department for International Development) | Indonesia | Stuart MacDiarmid (NZFSA) stuart.macdiarmid@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| Animal Health workshops for government vets on risk management and certification procedures for meat exports to the EU. | Advice, technical expertise | Botswana | Guy Redding (NZAID) guy.redding@nzaid.govt.nz |
| Three day course <i>Animal Health Risk Analysis</i> for 15 staff of the Hong Kong Department of Agriculture | Training course, March 2001. | Hong Kong, China | Stuart MacDiarmid (NZFSA) stuart.macdiarmid@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| <i>International Seminar on International Law Science : Animal Disease Risk Analysis.</i> | Course for government veterinarians, Qingdao, China, October 2001 | China | Martin van Ginkel vnginkelm@maf.govt.nz |
| <i>WTO/OIE Animal Health Workshop</i> | Workshop for government veterinarians, Fiji, November, 2001 | South Pacific nations | Martin van Ginkel vnginkelm@maf.govt.nz |
| Presentation on animal import risk analysis delivered to the Director, Samoan Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Forests and Meteorology and the Assistant Director Quarantine Division (MAFFM) | Seminar, Samoa, August 2002 (at the request of the Technical Director of AusAID Samoa Quarantine Improvement Project) | Samoa | Erin Daldry erin.daldrye@maf.govt.nz |
| Seminar on risk analysis for animals and animal products under the WTO framework, presented at WTO/SPS Agreement Risk Analysis Symposium of the Taiwan Bureau of Animal and Plant Health Inspection and Quarantine | Seminar, Taiwan, August 2002 | Taiwan | Howard Pharo Howard.Pharo@maf.govt.nz |

| PLANT HEALTH RELATED TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE <u>PROVIDED</u> SINCE 1 JANUARY 1995 | | | |
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| Assistance for travel costs and professional fees incurred by the Pacific Plant Protection Organization | Grant | South Pacific Region | Guy Redding (NZAID) guy.redding@nzaid.govt.nz |
| ICPM pilot project for technical assistance to assess the phytosanitary needs and priorities of developing countries | Grant | Secretariat of the Pacific Community/ Asia Pacific Region | John Hedley (MAF) john.hedley@maf.govt.nz |
| Assistance in the construction of a High Temperate Forced Air plant (current project) | Technical support, equipment, training | Tonga | Guy Redding (NZAID) guy.redding@nzaid.govt.nz |
| Visit of specialist to the Secretariat of the Pacific Community to monitor and discuss plant protection activities. | Advice | Secretariat of the Pacific Community/ Pacific Region | Guy Redding (NZAID) guy.redding@nzaid.govt.nz |
| ICPM Regional Technical Consultation for Asia-Pacific on draft international standards for phytosanitary measures | Grant, technical expertise, August 2000 | Asia-Pacific developing countries | John Hedley (MAF) john.hedley@maf.govt.nz |
| ICPM Regional Technical Consultation for Asia-Pacific on draft international standards for phytosanitary measures | Grant, technical expertise, August 2001 | Asia-Pacific developing countries | John Hedley (MAF) john.hedley@maf.govt.nz |
| ICPM Regional Technical Consultation for Asia-Pacific on draft international standards for phytosanitary measures | Grant, technical expertise, August 2002 | Asia-Pacific developing countries | John Hedley (MAF) john.hedley@maf.govt.nz |
| Phytosanitary Capacity Building in the Mekong Phase I (2001-2004) Countries have been helped to develop a computerised information/management system for the issuance of import and export phytosanitary certificates necessary for international trade. Assistance was provided in raising awareness of the countries' international obligations under the SPS Agreement and assistance was provided to the countries to develop strategic plans for the further development of national plant quarantine and inspection systems. | Technical expertise, 2001-2004 | Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Vietnam | Guy Redding (NZAID) guy.redding@nzaid.govt.nz |

JOINT ANIMAL HEALTH AND PLANT HEALTH RELATED TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED SINCE 1 JANUARY 1995

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| Assistance to the Beijing, China Animal and Plant Quarantine Laboratory in establishing a quality assurance system | Advice, training, technical expertise, 1996/97 | China | Guy Redding (NZ Aid) guy.redding@nzaid.govt.nz |
| Assistance to the Secretariat of the Pacific Community for plant and animal quarantine | Grant | Secretariat of the Pacific Community/ Pacific Region | Guy Redding (NZ Aid) guy.redding@nzaid.govt.nz |
| Initial appraisal of Vanuatu Quarantine Service, followed by assistance with infrastructure, equipment and human resource development to upgrade the quarantine service | Training, technical assistance, plant and equipment, 1992-ongoing | Vanuatu | Guy Redding (NZ Aid) guy.redding@nzaid.govt.nz |
| Short term attachment for quarantine officer to New Zealand Customs and agriculture agencies | Advice | Cook Islands | Guy Redding (NZ Aid) guy.redding@nzaid.govt.nz |
| Assistance for the Agricultural Quarantine Service of the Solomon Islands to protect domestic agricultural production from foreign pests and diseases and to facilitate the export of animal and plant products (current project) | Technical expertise, plant and equipment | Solomon Islands | Guy Redding (NZ Aid) guy.redding@nzaid.govt.nz |

JOINT SPS RELATED TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED SINCE 1 JANUARY 1995

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| SPS advisory visit by Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry Specialists | Advice, technical expertise, 1996 | | Guy Redding (NZAID) guy.redding@nzaid.govt.nz |
| SPS Seminar in China | Technical advice, Beijing, China April 1996 | China | S Rajasekar (NZFSA) raj.rajasekar@nzfsa.govt.nz |
| Risk analysis training programme with China's Quarantine Control Agency | Training | China | Guy Redding (NZAID) guy.redding@nzaid.govt.nz |
| Accreditation system for Inspection Bodies and Laboratories Feasibility study to assist in meeting obligations under ASEAN Free Trade Area | Advice, technical expertise, 1997 | China | Guy Redding (NZAID) guy.redding@nzaid.govt.nz |
| Commonwealth Secretariat workshop on legal issues arising from the Uruguay Round (including the SPS agreement) | Technical expertise, June 1997 | Cambodia | Keawe Woodmore (MAF) keawe.woodmore@maf.govt.nz |
| Funding for a Cambodian official to attend the Asia Pacific Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation General Assembly | Grant, 1998 | Cambodia | Guy Redding (NZAID) guy.redding@nzaid.govt.nz |
| ASEAN Regional Trade and Investment Promotion Programme, WTO SPS agreement capacity-building assistance | Advice, technical assistance, 1999- | ASEAN members | Guy Redding (NZAID) guy.redding@nzaid.govt.nz |
| APEC sponsored visit for developing economies to the SPS committee | Grant, advice, October-November 2001 | China, Indonesia, Peru, Philippines, Thailand, and Vietnam | Keawe Woodmore (MAF) keawe.woodmore@maf.govt.nz |
| APEC handbook on national notification authorities and national enquiry points under the WTO SPS and TBT agreements | Development of handbook | APEC economies | Murray Barber (Standards NZ) murray.barber@standards.co.nz |

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| APEC symposiums on notification procedures under the WTO SPS and TBT Agreements | Workshop, grant, technical expertise, Bangkok and Lima, May 2002 | Australia; Brazil; Brunei Darussalam; Canada; China; Chinese Taipei; Hong Kong, China; Chile; Colombia; El Salvador; Guatemala; Indonesia; Jamaica; Japan; Korea, Macau, China; Malaysia; Mexico; New Zealand; Papua New Guinea; Paraguay; Peru; Philippines; Russia; Thailand; United States; Vietnam. | Murray Barber (Standards NZ) murray.barber@standards.co.nz |
| International Assessment team for review of Korean response to FMD | Technical expertise, July 2002 | Korea | Graham Mackereth (MAF) mackerethg@maf.govt.nz |

NOTE: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (MAF); New Zealand Food Safety Authority (NZFSA), Biosecurity New Zealand (BNZ) Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT);
New Zealand Agency for International Development (NZAID)