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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1. Notifying Member: MOROCCO If applicable, name of local government involved: Office National de Sécurité Sanitaire des Produits Alimentaires, ONSSA (National Office for Food Safety) Agency responsible: Office National de Sécurité Sanitaire des Produits Alimentaires, 2. ONSSA - Ministère de l'Agriculture et de la Pêche Maritime (National Office for Food Safety - Ministry of Agriculture and Marine Fisheries) 3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Olive trees, citrus fruit trees, rosaceous (stone fruit) plants, oak trees, grapevines 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: [] All trading partners [X] Specific regions or countries: Italy **Title of the notified document:** Suspension de l'importation de l'Italie des plants des 5. espèces hôtes de la maladie (olivier, agrumes, rosacées à noyau, chênes, vigne) (Suspension of the importation into Morocco of Pierce's disease host plants (olive trees, citrus fruit trees, rosaceous (stone fruit) plants, oak trees, grapevines) from Italy. Language(s): French Number of pages: 1 Description of content: Following two outbreaks of Pierce's disease (caused by the 6. bacterium Xylella fastidiosa) in the province of Lecce in south-east Italy, a decision was taken to suspend imports into Morocco of host plants of this disease (olive trees, citrus fruit trees, rosaceous (stone fruit) plants, oak trees, grapevines, etc.) from Italy as a precautionary measure. 7. [] food safety, [] animal health, [X] plant Objective and rationale: protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests. 8. Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action: Detection of two outbreaks of Pierce's disease (caused by the bacterium Xylella fastidiosa) in the province of Lecce in south-east Italy and risk of the introduction of this disease into Morocco. 9. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: [] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text) World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic [] Animal Health Code, chapter number) International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number) [X]

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	[] None
	Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?
	[]Yes []No
	If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:
10.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Instructions (available in French) to all plant protection services to increase phytosanitary surveillance and control.
11.	Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable): 2 April 2015
	[] Trade facilitating measure
12.	Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:
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