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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: MEXICO

If applicable, name of local government involved:

- **2. Agency responsible:** *Secretaría de Agricultura, Ganadería, Desarrollo Rural, Pesca y Alimentación*, SAGARPA (Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fisheries and Food)
- 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): Botanical and germinated oil palm (*Elaeis guineensis* Jacq.) seed.
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [] All trading partners, or
 - [X] Specific regions or countries: Honduras
- 5. Title of the notified document: Requisitos fitosanitarios para la importación de semilla botánica y semilla germinada de palma aceitera (Elaeis guineensis Jacq.), originaria y procedente de Honduras (Phytosanitary requirements for the importation of botanical and germinated oil palm (Elaeis guineensis Jacq.) seed originating in and coming from Honduras) Language(s): Spanish Number of pages: 1

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6. **Description of content:** Pursuant to the Decision establishing the module of phytosanitary requirements for the importation of goods regulated by the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fisheries and Food, in relation to plant health (Acuerdo por el que se establece el módulo de requisitos fitosanitarios para la importación de mercancías reguladas por la Secretaría de Agricultura, Ganadería, Desarrollo Rural, Pesca y Alimentación, en materia de sanidad vegetal), published in the Mexican Official Journal on 7 February 2012, the phytosanitary requirements for the importation into Mexico of botanical and germinated oil palm (Elaeis guineensis Jacq.) seed originating in and coming from Honduras, established on the basis of a pest risk analysis, have been submitted to public comment.

Imports of botanical and germinated oil palm (*Elaeis guineensis* Jacq.) seed originating in and coming from Honduras require a phytosanitary certificate issued by the Honduran phytosanitary authority stating that the oil palm seed or germinated oil palm seed originates in and comes from that country, that it was produced by a company recognized by the Honduran National Plant Protection Organization, and that it has been inspected and found to be free of quarantine pests.

7. Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [] animal health, [X] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [X] protect territory from other damage from pests.

