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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

Original: English

NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>NEW ZEALAND</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI)
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): Semen and embryos from sheep (<i>Ovis aries</i>) and goats (<i>Capra hircus</i>)
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5.	Title of the notified document: Semen and Embryos from Sheep (<i>Ovis aries</i>) and Goats (<i>Capra hircus</i>) Language(s): English Number of pages: 16 http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2014/sps/NZL/14_1424_00_e.pdf http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2014/sps/NZL/14_1424_01_e.pdf http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2014/sps/NZL/14_1424_02_e.pdf
6.	Description of content: This Import Health Standard provides New Zealand's mitigation measures for a number of diseases related to semen and embryos from sheep (<i>Ovis aries</i>) and goats (<i>Capra hircus</i>). These are generic measures and bilateral veterinary certificates will be negotiated. The only currently approved country is Australia.
7.	Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text) <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number) <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number) <input type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: Some diseases have measures as per the requirements of the OIE code. Some diseases have mitigation measures that are not described by the Code or are different than the Code in accordance with New Zealand's appropriate level of protection.

9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Import Risk Analysis - Sheep and Goat Genetic Material, 2005 • Guidance Document for Semen and Embryos from Sheep and Goats (available in English)
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: [X] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): [] Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 14 May 2014 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: Mrs Sally Jennings, Coordinator, SPS New Zealand, PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand. Tel: +(64 4) 894 0431; Fax: +(64 4) 894 0733
13.	Texts available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Mrs Sally Jennings, Coordinator, SPS New Zealand, PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand. Tel: +(64 4) 894 0431; Fax: +(64 4) 894 0733 Website: http://www.biosecurity.govt.nz/sps/transparency/notifications/index.htm