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## DECLARATION OF VARIOUS MUNICIPALITIES AND COMMUNITIES IN THE STATE OF GUERRERO AS AREAS WITH A LOW PREVALENCE OF FRUIT FLIES OF THE GENUS ANASTREPHA

## Communication from Mexico

The following communication, received on 28 November 2012, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of  $\underline{\text{Mexico}}$ .

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- 1. Pursuant to Article 7 of the Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures and paragraph 3(b) of Annex B thereto, Mexico hereby advises WTO Members that the Decision declaring the municipality of Cuajinicuilapa and the communities of El Veinte, El Japón, Nuxco, Ojo de Agua, Palma Sola and Reforma Agraria in Ejido de Nuxco; El Tepetate, La Zarza, Rodesia and Tamarindillo in Ejido de Tenexpa; and the communities of Acatolin, Colonia Sorpresa, El Limón, La Soledad and Las Tortugas in Ejido de Suchil in the municipality of Tecpan de Galeana in the State of Guerrero to be areas with a low prevalence of fruit flies of the genus Anastrepha of quarantine significance, was published in the Diario Oficial de la Federación (Mexican Official Journal) on 22 November 2012.
- 2. The notified Decision declares the municipality of Cuajinicuilapa and the communities of El Veinte, El Japón, Nuxco, Ojo de Agua, Palma Sola and Reforma Agraria in Ejido de Nuxco; El Tepetate, La Zarza, Rodesia and Tamarindillo in Ejido de Tenexpa; and the communities of Acatolin, Colonia Sorpresa, El Limón, La Soledad and Las Tortugas in Ejido de Suchil in the municipality of Tecpan de Galeana in the State of Guerrero to be areas with a low prevalence of fruit flies of the genus *Anastrepha*, following compliance with the phytosanitary specifications established in points 4.13.1 and 4.13.2 of Mexican Official Standard NOM-023-FITO-1995 establishing the National Campaign Against Fruit Flies, and confirmation of the low prevalence of this pest.
- 3. The Decision was published in order to ensure that the municipality of Cuajinicuilapa and 15 communities in the municipality of Tecpan de Galeana in the State of Guerrero are declared as areas with a low prevalence of fruit flies of the genus *Anastrepha* of quarantine significance and that the phytosanitary measures applied to prevent and protect the low-prevalence area are those established in points 4.13.1, 4.13.2, 4.13.3 and 4.13.4 of Mexican Official Standard NOM-023-FITO-1995 establishing the National Campaign Against Fruit Flies and points 4.1, 4.5.1, 4.5.1, 4.5.2, 4.5.5, and 4.5.7 of Mexican Official Standard NOM-075-FITO-1997 establishing the requirements and phytosanitary specifications for the movement of fruit fly host fruit.
- 4. The Decision is available in Spanish at <a href="http://www.dof.gob.mx">http://www.dof.gob.mx</a> and <a href="http://www.dof.gob.mx/nota\_detalle.php?codigo=5278661&fecha=22/11/2012">http://www.dof.gob.mx/nota\_detalle.php?codigo=5278661&fecha=22/11/2012</a> or from the National Enquiry Point (normasomc@economia.gob.mx).

5. Lastly, Mexico wishes to state that this communication is being made for the purposes of transparency, without prejudice to the country's rights and obligations under the SPS Agreement.

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