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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

REMOVAL OF WEB LISTINGS OF CANADIAN FACILITIES EXPORTING WOOD PRODUCTS

COMMUNICATION FROM CANADA

The following communication, received on 30 July 2015, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of <u>Canada</u>.

- 1. The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA), the national plant protection organization for Canada, has posted to its website lists of facilities approved by the CFIA to export wood products in keeping with the phytosanitary import requirements of some trading partners. The lists include facilities producing:
 - a. Debarked western red cedar (Thuja plicata);
 - b. Heat treated sawn coniferous wood;
 - c. Wood packaging compliant with the requirements of International Standard for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM) 15 *Regulation of wood packaging material in international trade.*
- 2. Following comprehensive review of the programs, the CFIA will be removing these lists by 31 August 2015.
- 3. Countries wishing to obtain information regarding Canadian approved facilities exporting wood products may contact the Official Contact Point for Canada at: ippc-contact@inspection.gc.ca.
- 4. Information on Canada's export certification programs for wood products continues to be posted at: http://www.inspection.gc.ca/plants/forestry/exports/eng/1300380523318/1300380612 246.