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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**DECLARATION OF AREAS FREE FROM FRUIT FLIES OF THE
QUARANTINE-SIGNIFICANT GENUS *ANASTREPHA***

COMMUNICATION FROM MEXICO

The following communication, received on 1 March 2019, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Mexico.

1. Pursuant to Article 6 of the Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures, which refers to regional conditions, including pest- or disease-free areas and areas of low pest or disease prevalence, and in keeping with the principle of transparency, we hereby notify the publication of the "Decision declaring certain federative entities, municipalities and regions in national territory to be areas free from fruit flies of the quarantine-significant genus *Anastrepha*".

2. The following areas have been declared free from fruit flies of the quarantine-significant genus *Anastrepha*: the federative entities of Baja California, Baja California Sur, Chihuahua, Coahuila de Zaragoza and Sonora; the municipalities of Asientos, Cosío, El Llano, Pabellón de Arteaga, Rincón de Romos, San Francisco de los Romo, San José de Gracia and Tepezalá in the federative entity of Aguascalientes; the municipalities of Canatlán, Coneto de Comonfort, Cuencamé, Durango, General Simón Bolívar, Gómez Palacio, Guadalupe Victoria, Guanaceví, Hidalgo, Indé, Lerdo, Mapimí, Nazas, Nombre de Dios, Ocampo, El Oro, Nuevo Ideal, Pánuco de Coronado, Peñón Blanco, Poanas, Rodeo, San Bernardo, San Juan de Guadalupe, San Juan del Río, San Luis del Cordero, San Pedro del Gallo, Santa Clara, Santiago Papasquiaro, Súchil, Tepehuanes, Tlahualilo and Vicente Guerrero in the federative entity of Durango; the municipalities of Agualeguas, Apodaca, Los Aldamas, Anáhuac, El Carmen, Cerralvo, Ciénega de Flores, China, Doctor Arroyo, Doctor Coss, General Bravo, General Escobedo, General Treviño, General Zuazua, Los Herreras, Higueras, Lampazos de Naranjo, Melchor Ocampo, Mier y Noriega, Parás, Sabinas Hidalgo, Salinas Victoria, Vallecillo and Villaldama in the federative entity of Nuevo León; the municipalities of Ahualulco, Armadillo de los Infante, Catorce, Cedral, Cerro de San Pedro, Charcas, Guadalcázar, Matehuala, Mexquitic de Carmona, Moctezuma, Salinas, San Luis Potosí, San Nicolás Tolentino, Santa María del Río, Santo Domingo, Soledad de Graciano Sánchez, Vanegas, Venado, Villa Hidalgo, Villa de Arriaga, Villa de Guadalupe, Villa de la Paz, Villa de Ramos, Villa de Reyes, Villa de Arista, Tierra Nueva and Zaragoza in the federative entity of San Luis Potosí; the municipalities of Ahome, Angostura, Badiraguato, Choix, Culiacán, El Fuerte, Elota, Guasave, Mocorito, Navolato, Salvador Alvarado and Sinaloa de Leyva in the federative entity of Sinaloa; the municipalities of Camargo, Guerrero, Gustavo Díaz Ordaz, Mier, Miguel Alemán and Nuevo Laredo in the federative entity of Tamaulipas; the municipality of Altzayanca in the federative entity of Tlaxcala; the municipalities of Calera, Cañitas de Felipe Pescador, Concepción del Oro, Chalchihuites, Cuauhtémoc, Fresnillo, Genaro Codina, General Enrique Estrada, General Francisco R. Murguía, General Pánfilo Natera, Guadalupe, Jerez, Jiménez del Teúl, Juan Aldama, Mazapil, Melchor Ocampo, Miguel Auza, Morelos, Loreto, Luis Moya, Noria de Angeles, Ojocaliente, Pánuco, Pinos, Río Grande, Saín Alto, El Salvador, Sombrerete, Trancoso, Valparaíso, Vetagrande, Villa de Cos, Villa García, Villa González Ortega, Villa Hidalgo and Zacatecas in the federative entity of Zacatecas; the circumscribed northern region of the communities of Tételes del Volcán and Tlalmimilulpan in the municipality of Tételes del Volcán in the federative entity of Morelos; the central-western region of the municipality of Coatepec Harinas in the federative entity of the State of Mexico, which corresponds to the area circumscribed by the line connecting the coordinates listed in the relevant table and the territorial

boundaries of the municipalities of Texcaltitlán, Zinacantepec, Toluca, Villa Guerrero and Almoloya de Alquisiras.

3. The notified Decision will remain in effect for 24 months after its entry into force, as set out in the last paragraph of Article 106 of the Regulations implementing the Federal Law on Plant Health.

4. The Decision will enter into force on the day following its publication in the Official Journal.

5. WTO Members are asked to use this Decision as a reference in their commercial dealings with respect to livestock products from Mexico.

6. This communication is being submitted for purposes of transparency and in order to provide Members with further information on the current regulatory process in Mexico.

7. The document may be viewed at:

http://www.dof.gob.mx/nota_detalle.php?codigo=5540162&fecha=05/10/2018.
