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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**MEASURES AIMED AT ESTABLISHING REGIONALIZATION CRITERIA
IN RELATION TO QUARANTINE PESTS FOR CHILE**

COMMUNICATION FROM CHILE

The following communication, received on 2 April 2024, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Chile.

1. Pursuant to Article 5 and Article 6 of and Annex A, paragraph 3(c), to the Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures, Chile hereby informs WTO Members of the regionalization criteria in relation to quarantine pests for Chile, drawing particular attention to the following:

- i. The Agricultural and Livestock Service (SAG) is the authority responsible for protecting the country's phytosanitary resources.
- ii. As a Member signatory to the Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures, Chile must ensure that its phytosanitary measures are adapted to the regional characteristics of the areas from which the product originated and to which the product is destined.
- iii. Article VII of the 1997 International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC), to which Chile is a signatory, stipulates that contracting parties shall establish and update lists of regulated pests, using scientific names, and make such lists available to the Secretary, to regional plant protection organizations of which they are members and, on request, to other contracting parties.
- iv. To this end, the SAG conducts pest risk analyses and regularly updates Chile's list of quarantine pests and hosts of quarantine pests, which are part of the phytosanitary regulations whose requirements regulated articles have to meet, where applicable, in order to enter the country.
- v. As a result of its activities, the SAG's agricultural and forest plant surveillance programme has reported the presence in the country of the following pests: *Diaspis boisduvalli*, citrus tatter leaf virus, *Elasmopalpus lignosellus*, *Eutypa lata*, high plains virus, *Otiorhynchus ovatus*, *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *morsprunorum*, *Rhizococcus falcifer*, *Rhodococcus fascians* and wheat streak mosaic virus.
- vi. The distribution of pests present in part of the national territory, and subject to official control for the purposes of containment, suppression or eradication, varies depending on the official control measures applied and the biology of the pest.
- vii. The most recent pest risk analyses showed that the following pests, which are absent from Chile, qualify as quarantine pests, as they have high introduction and economic impact potential for the country: *Achyranthes aspera*, *Agrotis segetum*, *Bassia scoparia*, *Bradybaena similaris*, *Candidatus Phytoplasma phoenicium*, capsicum chlorosis virus, *Chenopodium polyspermum* (Syn: *Lipandra polysperma*), citrus yellow vein clearing virus, *Clavibacter nebraskensis*, *Cyclachaena xanthiifolia* (Syn: *Iva xanthifolia*), *Deudorix Isocrates*, *Emex australis*, *Eobania vermiculata*, *Eragrostis plana*, *Frankliniella intonsa*, *Garella musculana* (Syn: *Erschoviella musculana*), *Heliotropium europaeum*, *Monacha cartusiana*, *Monilinia polystroma*, *Ophiognomonium clavigignenti-juglandacearum*, *Pantoea stewartii* subsp. *stewartii*, *Persicaria nepalensis*, *Phenacoccus avenae*, *Phytophthora niederhauserii*, *Pochazia shantungensis*, *Resseliella citrifrugis*, *Rhizoctonia tuliparum*, *Salsola vermiculata* (Syn: *Nitrosalsola vermiculata*), *Sarasinula plebeian*, *Spodoptera littoralis*, *Stenocarpella macrospora*, *Stenocarpella maydis*, *Trogoderma inclusum*, *Tyloderma*

fragariae, Urochloa panicoides, Vryburgia amaryllidis, Xanthomonas axonopodis pv. *punicae* and *Yponomeuta padella* (Syn: *Yponomeuta padellus*).

viii. The current measures and pest lists are set out in SAG Resolution No. 1.376 of 2024 amending Resolution No. 3.080 of 2003 establishing regionalization criteria in relation to quarantine pests for Chile, which is available in Spanish at: <https://www.sag.cl/ambitos-de-accion/plagas-cuarentenarias-ausentes> or [Resolución 1376 2024 Plagas Cuarentenarias.pdf \(sag.gob.cl\)](#) or which may be requested by email from the Chile SPS enquiry point (sps.chile@sag.gob.cl).

2. Lastly, Chile states that this communication is being made for the purposes of transparency, without prejudice to the country's rights and obligations under the SPS Agreement.
