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## NOTIFICATION

### Addendum

The following communication, dated 15 March 2001 has been received from New Zealand.

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#### Generic import health standard for *Pinus* species seed for sowing

On 6 April 1999, New Zealand notified to WTO members the draft generic import health standard for seeds for sowing of *Pinus radiata* from any country. The draft generic import health standard updated, and was intended to replace, the existing import health requirements for seeds for sowing of *Pinus radiata* from any country. It was proposed that seeds originating from countries or areas deemed NOT to be free of *Fusarium circinatum* (synonym *Fusarium subglutinans* f sp. *pini*) shall be required to undergo a period of Level 3 quarantine on arrival in New Zealand. The final date for comments on the draft generic import health standard closed on 28 May 1999.

As a result of further discussions on the draft generic import health standard, a revised standard has now been released (2 March 2001). The revised standard further refines the quarantine requirements of the imported material in New Zealand and extends the number of *Pinus* species covered by the standard to all those currently known to be present in New Zealand. The quarantine requirements for seeds from countries or areas deemed NOT to be free of *Fusarium circinatum* (synonym *Fusarium subglutinans* f sp. *pini*) is now restricted to Level 3 tissue culture quarantine facilities only.

As the revised standard does not differ substantially from the originally notified draft generic import health standard (6 April 1999), the revised standard was issued for implementation on 2 March 2001.

The notified document can be obtained from the Mr Keawe Woodmore, Coordinator, New Zealand SPS Notification Authority, PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand; Tel: +64 4 474 4226; Fax: +64 4 470 2730; E-mail: [sps@maf.govt.nz](mailto:sps@maf.govt.nz). The notified document is also available at <http://www.maf.govt.nz/Standards/plants/forest/index.htm>.

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