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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>NEW ZEALAND</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (MAF)
3.	Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Grain or seed for consumption or processing of the following plants: <i>Avena sativa</i> (Oat grains), <i>Cathamus tinctorius</i> (Safflower seeds), <i>Cicer arietinum</i> (Chickpea seeds), <i>Glycine max</i> (Soybean seeds), <i>Gossypium</i> spp. (Cotton seeds), <i>Guizotia abyssinica</i> (Niger seeds), <i>Helianthus annuus</i> (Sunflower seeds), <i>Hordeum</i> spp. (Barley grains), <i>Lens culinaris</i> (Lentil seeds), <i>Lupinus</i> spp. (Lupin grains), <i>Medicago</i> spp. (Alfalfa/Lucerne seeds), <i>Panicum miliaceum</i> (Millet seeds), <i>Phalaris canariensis</i> (Canary Grass seeds), <i>Phaseolus</i> spp. (Green bean seeds), <i>Pisum</i> spp. (Pea seeds), <i>Secale cereale</i> (Rye/Ryecorn seeds), <i>Setaria italica</i> (Foxtail/Italian Millet seeds), <i>Sorghum bicolor</i> (Sorghum grains), <i>Triticosecale</i> (Triticale grains), <i>Triticum</i> spp. (Wheat grains), <i>Vicia</i> (Broad Bean seeds), <i>Vigna</i> (Bean/Cowpea seeds) and <i>Zea mays</i> (Maize, Popcorn, Sweetcorn grains).
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: All countries.
5.	Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: MAF Biosecurity Authority (Plants) Operational Standard PIT-GFP-PHR, Grain for Processing, Plant Health Requirements (Available in English, 177 pages)
6.	Description of content: This MAF Biosecurity Authority Standard specifies the phytosanitary requirements for importation of grain or seeds for consumption or processing into New Zealand. This standard is intended to be used in conjunction with MAF Operational Standard – PIT-GFP-ISR: Grain for Processing, Import System Requirements.
7.	Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [] animal health, [X] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests
8.	International standard, guideline or recommendation: [] Codex Alimentarius Commission, [] Office International des Epizooties, [X] International Plant Protection Convention, [] None If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:
9.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: None

10.	Proposed date of adoption: 22 December 2003
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: 22 December 2003
12.	<p>Final date for comments: 22 December 2003</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National notification authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Plant Imports - Consultation on MAF Import Health Standard - Grain for Processing: Plant Health Requirements - PIT-GFP-PHR Plants Biosecurity Biosecurity Authority Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry PO Box 2526 WELLINGTON NEW ZEALAND</p> <p>Fax: +64 4 474 4257 Email: plantimports@maf.govt.nz</p>
13.	<p>Texts available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National notification authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body: Ms Sally Griffin, Coordinator, SPS New Zealand, PO Box 2526, 101-103 The Terrace, Wellington, New Zealand. Tel: +64 4 474 4140; Fax: +64 4 4702730; E-mail: sps@maf.govt.nz</p> <p>Website: www.maf.govt.nz/biosecurity/sps/transparency/notifications/index.htm</p>