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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: Australia New Zealand Food Authority
3.	Products covered (tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Food additives
4.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Explanatory notes; Proposal P150 (27 pages)
5.	Description of content: A proposal to develop a joint Australia and New Zealand standard to regulate the use of food additives in the production and processing of food.
6.	Objective and rationale: Consumer health and safety
7.	An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist [X]. If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, whenever possible, identify deviations:
8.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Australia <i>Food Standards Code</i> ; New Zealand <i>Food Regulations</i> 1984 (both in English)
9.	Proposed date of adoption: Recommendation to government anticipated early 1999.
10.	Proposed date of entry into force: Entry into force yet to be decided.
11.	Final date for comments: 23 December 1998, however comments from Members will be accepted until 31 December 1998 if notice of intention to comment is received by the domestic closing date. Agency or authority designated to handle comments: Australia New Zealand Food Authority, PO Box 10 559, The Terrace, Wellington, New Zealand; Tel: + (64) 4 473 9942; Fax: + (64) 4 473 9855; E-mail: anzfa.nz@anzfa.gov.au

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