

WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>AUSTRALIA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Australia New Zealand Food Authority (ANZFA) Agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:
3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Processed foods
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Draft risk analysis reports for: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Application A385 - Food derived from insect-protected Bt-176 corn (81 pages);• Application A386 - Food derived from insect-protected, herbicide-tolerant Bt-11 corn (74 pages).
6.	Description of content: Australia has considered applications for a range of foods derived from insect-protected Bt-176 corn and insect-protected, herbicide-tolerant Bt-11 corn to be approved for listing in Standard A18 Food Produced Using Gene Technology of the Australian Food Standards Code. These draft reports describe the scientific assessments undertaken and recommend the addition of these products to the list of approved foods.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: The above reports address human health or safety factors and process/production methods.
8.	Relevant documents: Australian Food Standards Code
9.	Proposed date of adoption: Proposed date of entry into force: } Recommendation to Government anticipated to be made late 2000. Entry into force immediately after Government approval
10.	Final date for comments: 15 November 2000
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [] or address, e-mail and telefax number of the other body: Documents are available from the Australia New Zealand Food Authority website (www.anzfa.gov.au). Also available from: Australia New Zealand Food Authority PO Box 7186 Canberra Mail Centre ACT 2610 AUSTRALIA Fax: (+61) 2 62712278 <u>quoting Applications A385 and A386</u> Email: info@anzfa.gov.au This proposal has also been notified by New Zealand.