

NOTIFICATION

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>CUBA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture, National Centre for Plant Health
3.	Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable). Fresh fruit and vegetables hosting fruit flies which are quarantine objects in Cuba pursuant to Resolution No. 441 of 1996, namely <i>Anastrepha ludens</i> (Loew), <i>Bactrocera dorsalis</i> (Hendel), <i>Ceratitis capitata</i> (Wiedmann), <i>Anastrepha fraterculus</i> (Wiedmann) and <i>Anastrepha striata</i> (Schiner). Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Applicable to all countries where cases of fruit flies which are quarantine objects in Cuba have been reported.
4.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Ministry of Agriculture (MINAGRI) Resolution No. 441 of 19 July 1996: Official List of Quarantine Objects and Harmful Organisms of the Republic of Cuba. Pest Risk Analysis. <i>Ceratitis capitata</i> , 1982 / Review, 2000. Decree Law No. 153 of 31 August 1994: Plant Health Regulations. All of the above documents are available in Spanish.
5.	Description of content: Resolution No. 441: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Implements the list of plant quarantine objects of the Republic of Cuba, organized in accordance with their characteristics, and includes a list of harmful organisms. Pest Risk Analysis. <i>Ceratitis capitata</i> : This studies the risks to the Republic of Cuba of the presence of the pest <i>Ceratitis capitata</i> (Wied.). It assesses potential pathways for the introduction of pests in Cuba and their ability and adaptability to become established in the country, the economic importance of the host crops and the economic impact of the possible presence of this pest in Cuba. Decree Law No. 153 empowers the Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Cuba to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Establish standards and run and implement and monitor the work of the National Plant Health Service, which involves the following:<ol style="list-style-type: none">Public information on and prognosis of the main crop, forest and pasture pests;authorization of the importation, exportation and control of quarantined material for which certification is required;

	<p>3. sampling and phytosanitary and plant quarantine inspection in all of the country's agricultural, sugar-cane and forest areas and at any other location where products of plant origin, pesticides and bio-media exist, are transported, used, marketed, reproduced, researched or stored.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authorize the importation, exportation and control of quarantined material for which certification is required (regulated articles). • Report quarantine pests detected in the country. • Authorize, if appropriate, the importation, exportation, re-exportation and circulation of plants, agricultural or forest products, organisms and micro-organisms which are harmful or beneficial to agriculture, soil or organic material and any other quarantined material. • Adopt the measures and regulations required to guarantee the favourable health status of plants and agricultural products in a natural or semi-processed state. • Make an official diagnosis of pests affecting plants and plant products. • Authorize the packaging materials used for importation, exportation and transportation within the national territory. • Establish and monitor compliance with the requirements and regulations for plants and equipment and for staff who work with pests to prevent such pests from spreading abroad. • Specify and monitor the pesticides and bio-media to be used in pest eradication.
6.	<p>Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [] animal health, [X] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [X] protect territory from other damage from pests</p>
7.	<p>An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist [].</p> <p>If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:</p> <p>International Plant Protection Convention 1999 (new revised text). (There are no deviations from this international standard).</p>
8.	<p>Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Spanish</p>
9.	<p>Proposed date of adoption: Not indicated.</p>
10.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: Not indicated.</p>

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| 11. | Final date for comments:
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