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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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## NOTIFICATION

1.	<b>Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>NEW ZEALAND</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (MAF)
3.	<b>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):</b> Grain (seed) for processing of <i>Sorghum bicolor</i> (sorghum).
4.	<b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> All countries
5.	<b>Title, language and number of pages of the notified document:</b> MAF Biosecurity Authority (Plants) Operational Standard PIT-GFP-ISR, Grain for Processing, Import System Requirements (available in English, 45 pages).
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> This MAF Biosecurity Authority Standard outlines the requirements for the implementation of a grain import system (GIS) designed to establish biosecurity assurances and security leading to provision of biosecurity clearance for imported grain consignments. This standard provides guidelines for importing organization representatives to produce a GIS for their own organization and ensure that the grain imported for processing meets MAF's biosecurity requirements.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> [ ] food safety, [ ] animal health, [ X ] plant protection, [ ] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ] protect territory from other damage from pests
8.	<b>International standard, guideline or recommendation:</b> [ ] Codex Alimentarius Commission, [ ] Office International des Epizooties, [ X ] International Plant Protection Convention, [ ] None <b>If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:</b>
9.	<b>Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> None
10.	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> 14 July 2003
11.	<b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> 14 July 2003

**12. Final date for comments:** 14 July 2003

**Agency or authority designated to handle comments:** ☐ National notification authority, ☒ National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:

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