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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>MEXICO</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of the Environment and Natural Resources
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). Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Pallets (platforms), box pallets, other loading platforms and miscellaneous wooden packaging.
4.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Draft Mexican Official Standard PROY-NOM-014-RECNAT-2001, Establishing Sanitary Regulations for the Import of Pallets (Platforms), Box Pallets, Other Loading Platforms and Miscellaneous Packaging Made of New and Used Wood.
5.	Description of content: This standard establishes the sanitary requirements applicable to pallets (platforms), box pallets, other loading platforms and miscellaneous packaging made of new and used wood, regardless of form and appearance, both as a product and as packaging, for definitive and/or temporary importation, and is mandatory nationwide for those engaged in such imports.
6.	Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests
7.	An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> . If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:
8.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: <i>Diario Oficial de la Federación</i> (Official Journal) 30 January 2002 (available in Spanish)
9.	Proposed date of adoption: To be determined.
10.	Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined.
11.	Final date for comments: 31 March 2002 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <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:

- 12. Texts available from: [X] National notification authority, [] National enquiry point or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:**

Website: <http://www.economia-normas.gob.mx> (Standards catalogue).