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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 (ANZFA)
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: Meat and meat products
4.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Full Assessment Report – Proposal P191 (100 pages)
5.	Description of content: To develop a joint Australia New Zealand food standard for meat and meat products.
6.	Objective and rationale: <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests
7.	An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist <input type="checkbox"/> . If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations: The regulations proposed for uncooked fermented comminuted meat products and sausages are more prescriptive than relevant international standards.
8.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Australian <i>Food Standards Code</i> ; New Zealand <i>Food Regulations 1984</i> (both in English)
9.	Proposed date of adoption: Recommendation to Government anticipated late 1999; adoption to follow, pending Government approval late 1999/early 2000 with promulgation of joint Australia/New Zealand Food Standards Code.
10.	Proposed date of entry into force: See paragraph 9 above
11.	Final date for comments: The domestic closing date for comments is 30 November 1999. Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National notification authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body: 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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