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| Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures | Original: English |

NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

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| 1. | Member to Agreement notifying: <u>JAMAICA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved: |
| 2. | Agency responsible: Plant Quarantine Unit, Ministry of Agriculture and Lands |
| 3. | 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): Untreated wooden pallets |
| 4. | Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Indonesia |
| 5. | Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: N/A |
| 6. | Description of content: Emergency measure against the introduction and spread of wood boring pest <i>Sinoxylon Spp.</i> This measure will remain in effect until Jamaica fully implements The Guidelines for Regulating Wood Packing Material in International Trade ISPM 15. |
| 7. | Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input checked="" 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 |
| 8. | Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action: There has been an interception of <i>Sinoxylon Spp.</i> on wood pallets used as packing support for floor tiles. This measure is intended to prohibit the use of untreated wooden pallets to pack floor tiles and other items being traded with Jamaica. This measure has become necessary because <i>Sinoxylon Spp.</i> has never occurred in Jamaica. As of 20 October 2007 all pallets from Indonesia will only be allowed to enter into Jamaica if they are treated according to ISMP 15. |
| 9. | International standard, guideline or recommendation: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention, <input type="checkbox"/> None If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations: This notification complies with the International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures No. 4 for the establishment and maintenance of pest-free areas. |
| 10. | Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: |
| 11. | Date of entry into force/period of application (as applicable): This measure comes into effect on 20 October 2007. This measure will remain in effect until Jamaica fully implements ISPM 15. |
| 12. | 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: Attention: Mr. Daniel Dawes Food Storage and Prevention of Infestation Division E-mail: fsadmin@cwjamaica.com Tel: +(876) 927 1929 |
| 13. | Texts available from: <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: |