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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

| 1. | Member to Agreement notifying: <u>EGYPT</u> |
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| | If applicable, name of local government involved: |
| 2. | Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture and Land Reclamation – Central Administration of Plant Quarantine (CAPQ) |
| 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): Wood packaging materials |
| 4. | Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: All countries exporting cargo to Egypt with wood packaging materials. |
| 5. | Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: "Measures for the administration of imported wood packaging materials" (available in Arabic, 1 page). |
| 6. | Description of content: Wood packaging materials entering Egypt from all countries must be treated and certified in accordance with the standards established in ISPM #15 ("Guidelines for Regulating Wood Packaging Material in International Trade"). |
| 7. | Objective and rationale: $[\]$ food safety, $[\]$ animal health, $[\]$ plant protection, $[\ X\]$ protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, $[\ X\]$ protect territory from other damage from pests |
| 8. | International standard, guideline or recommendation: |
| | [] Codex Alimentarius Commission, [] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), [X] International Plant Protection Convention, [] None |
| | If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations: ISPM $\#15$ |
| 9. | Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: ISPM #15 ("Guidelines for Regulating Wood Packaging Material in International Trade") (Available in all FAO languages). Download at www.ippc.int |
| 10. | Proposed date of adoption: 7 July 2005 |
| 11. | Proposed date of entry into force: 1 October 2005 |

12. Final date for comments: 6 September 2005

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

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