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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: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (MAF).
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): Eggplant (<i>Solanum melongena</i>).
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Vanuatu.
5.	Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Import Health Standard Commodity Sub-class: Fresh Fruit/Vegetables; Eggplant, <i>Solanum melongena</i> from Vanuatu, March 2005 (English) (17 pages).
6.	Description of content: New Zealand has developed an import health standard which includes the following phytosanitary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Surveillance for freedom of specified pests;• Pest control activities• Inspection of export consignments; and Application of a pre-export heat treatment for fruit flies (<i>Bactrocera</i> sp.).
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 type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests
8.	International standard, guideline or recommendation: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input type="checkbox"/> Office International des Epizooties, <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:
9.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: None.
10.	Proposed date of adoption: 2 March 2005
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: 2 March 2005
12.	Final date for comments: As these are trade-facilitating measures it is anticipated that the

import health standard will be issued and trade will be permitted to commence shortly. However, New Zealand will still take any comments into account and amend the import health standards if necessary.

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