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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

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| 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): Garlic (<i>Allium sativum</i>). |
| 4. | Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: People's Republic of China |
| 5. | Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Import Health Standard Commodity Sub-class: Fresh Fruit/Vegetables; Garlic, <i>Allium sativum</i> from the People's Republic of China, 20 February 2006 (English) (20 pages). |
| 6. | Description of content: New Zealand has reviewed the import health standard for garlic from the People's Republic of China. The import health standard includes the following phytosanitary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Inspection and certification of export consignments,• Methyl bromide fumigation for 3 high impact arthropods, and,• Pest Free Area/Pest control activities for a high impact fungi |
| 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: 20 February 2006 |
| 11. | Proposed date of entry into force: 20 February 2006 |
| 12. | Final date for comments: As this is ongoing trade, it is anticipated that the import health standard will be re-issued at |

the time of this notification. However, New Zealand will still take any comments into account and amend the import health standard if necessary.

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