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## NOTIFICATION

<b>1. Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>NEW ZEALAND</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry
<b>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):</b> Zoo primates
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> Australia and the United Kingdom
<b>5. Title, language and number of pages of the notified document:</b> Import Health Standard for the importation of Zoo Primates from Australia and the United Kingdom. (English) – 13 pages.
<b>6. Description of content:</b>  The United Kingdom has been added to the Import Health Standard for Primates from Australia. The biosecurity risks for primates from Australia and the UK are equivalent. The only difference between the two of significance to primates is that Australia is free of bovine tuberculosis ( <i>Mycobacterium bovis</i> ) and the UK is not. New Zealand is not free of bovine tuberculosis but the IHS for primates from Australia still contains rigorous Tb testing protocols as primates can also be infected with human tuberculosis ( <i>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</i> ).
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> [ ] food safety, [X] animal health, [ ] plant protection, [X] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [X] protect territory from other damage from pests
<b>8. International standard, guideline or recommendation:</b> [ ] Codex Alimentarius Commission, [X] Office International des Epizooties, [ ] International Plant Protection Convention, [ ] None <b>If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:</b>
<b>9. Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> Import Health Standard for the importation of Zoo Primates from Australia and the United Kingdom - English
<b>10. Proposed date of adoption:</b> 18 July 2008
<b>11. Proposed date of entry into force:</b> 17 September 2008
<b>12. Final date for comments:</b> 17 September 2008

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