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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>NEW ZEALAND</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry Biosecurity New Zealand
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): HORSES (LIVE)
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: [] All trading partners, or [X] Specific regions or countries: AUSTRALIA
5.	Title of the notified document: Import health standard for the importation into New Zealand of horses from Australia. Language: English Number of pages: 13
6.	Description of content: Upon condition that Australia be recognised free from equine influenza as per the OIE Code (12 month-freedom from the disease), import requirements associated with equine influenza (including vaccination, testing, pre-isolation and post-arrival quarantine) have been removed from the import health standard.
7.	Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [X] animal health, [] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: [] Codex Alimentarius Commission (<i>e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text</i>) [X] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (<i>e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number</i>) [] International Plant Protection Convention (<i>e.g. ISPM N*</i>) [] None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? [X] Yes [] No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: none

10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 26/01/09

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11. Proposed date of entry into force: Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 26/01/09

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12. Final date for comments: Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 22/12/08

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