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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>NEW ZEALAND</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: New Zealand Food Safety Authority (NZFSA)
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): Raw milk products
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: [specific regions or countries] or [] all trading partners: All countries/regions wishing to export raw milk products for human consumption to New Zealand.
5.	Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Proposed framework for the manufacture, importation and sale of raw milk products; English; 87 pages
6.	Description of content: This discussion paper provides details of a regulatory framework, being proposed by the New Zealand Food Safety Authority (NZFSA), which would further facilitate the New Zealand manufacture, domestic sale, and export of unpasteurised milk products for human consumption, and the importation of a similar range of such products. This is the second discussion paper that NZFSA has released on unpasteurised milk products. An earlier discussion paper was released in August 2008.
7.	Objective and rationale: [X] 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: [X] Codex Alimentarius Commission [e.g., title or serial number of Codex standard or related text] [] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) [e.g., Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number] [] International Plant Protection Convention [e.g., ISPM N°] [] None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? [] 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: Not stated
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): latter part of 2009 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):
11.	Proposed date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy): <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication and/or [DATE: dd/mm/yy] latter part of 2009 <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification (DATE) or 20 July 09 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body: Dianne Schmacher, Senior Programme Manager Animal Products (Technical Standards and systems) New Zealand Standards Group, New Zealand Food Safety Authority, PO Box 2835, Wellington, New Zealand. Tel: +64 4 894 2659; Fax +64 4 894 2643; Email Dianne.schmacher@nzfsa.govt.nz
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