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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

| 1. | Notifying Member: <u>NEW ZEALAND</u> |
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| | If applicable, name of local government involved: |
| 2. | Agency responsible: Ministry for Primary Industries |
| 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): semen and embryos from horses (Equidae) |
| 4. | Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: |
| | [] All trading partners |
| | [X] Specific regions or countries: USA, Canada, EU, Australia, Switzerland, Norway |
| 5. | Title of the notified document: |
| | Language(s): English Number of pages: 15 |
| 6. | Description of content: Import requirements for the importation into New Zealand of semen and embryos from horses (<i>Equidae</i>) from specified countries, mitigating the risks identified as associated with equine germplasm. |
| 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 (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text) |
| | [X] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number) 12.2, 12.5, 12.8, 12.9 |
| | [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number) |
| | [] 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: |
| 10. | Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 1 October 2015 |
| | Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 1 October 2015 |

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 October 2015
 - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 21 August 2015

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