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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>NEW ZEALAND</u> 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): Natural Sausage Casings 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: [X] All trading partners [] Specific regions or countries: 5. Title of the notified document: Language(s): English Number of pages: 12 6. **Description of content:** Import Health Standard requirements for the importation of eligible natural sausage casings. 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. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: 8 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) OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code Chapter 6.2, Control of biological hazards of animal health and public health importance through ante- and post-mortem inspection. [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number) 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: Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: 9. The Guidance Document for Natural Sausage Casings, English, 10 pp. • The Risk Management Proposal for Natural Sausage Casings, English, 3 pp. The Supplementary Import Risk Analysis for Natural Sausage Casings, 46 pp. • 10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): TBC

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

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