NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** New Zealand  **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):** *Musa* plants for planting (tissue culture, whole plants) |
| **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:** Importation of Nursery Stock (155.02.06). **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 362 |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** An amendment to add emergency measures has been undertaken in the *Musa* section in Part 3 of the notified document. The amendment adds a requirement for an import permit when importing *Musa* tissue culture into New Zealand.  Guidance for importers was also added to the requirements for *Musa* tissue culture and whole plants. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [ ]****food safety, [ ]****animal health, [****X] plant protection, [ ]****protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ]****protect territory from other damage from pests.** |
| **8.** | **Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action:** The Ministry for Primary Industries has become aware that the current requirements for importing *Musa* plants for planting into New Zealand do not provide an appropriate level of protection for the biosecurity risks associated with *Musa* tissue culture.  The new requirement for a permit serves as an interim measure to manage biosecurity risk while a permanent solution is developed. |
| **9.** | **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)*:**  **[ ]** **World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:**  **[****X] International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:** ISPM no. 13  **[ ]** **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:** |
| **10.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** |
| **11.** | **Date of entry into force (*dd/mm/yy*)/period of application (as applicable):** 27 January 2022  **[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure** |
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