NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, received on 28 October 2022, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of Australia.

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| Final report for the review of biosecurity import requirements for fresh apple fruit from the Pacific Northwest states of the United States of America |
| The Australian Government Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry has completed the risk analysis for the importation of fresh apples from the Pacific Northwest States of the United States of America (PNW-USA), i.e., Washington, Oregon and Idaho, into Australia. The final report recommends a combination of risk management measures and a system of operational procedures that will reduce the biosecurity risk associated with the importation of apples from the PNW-USA to achieve Australia's appropriate level of protection.The final report recommends that the importation of fresh apples from the PNW-USA into Australia be permitted, subject to the application of phytosanitary measures for 20 quarantine pests.These pests are:* apple maggot (*Rhagoletis pomonella*),
* two species of mites (flat scarlet mite (*Cenopalpus pulcher*) and McDaniel spider mite(*Tetranychus mcdanieli*)),
* two species of thrips (eastern flower thrips(*Frankliniella tritici*) and western flower thrips(*Frankliniella occidentalis*)),
* two species of mealybugs (apple mealybug(*Phenacoccus aceris*) and grape mealybug(*Pseudococcus maritimus*)),
* seven species of leaf roller or fruit moths (codling moth(*Cydia pomonella*), European leafroller (*Archips rosana*), fruit tree leafroller (*Archips argyrospila*), large fruit tree tortrix(*Archips podana*), oblique-banded leafroller(*Choristoneura rosaceana*), orange tortrix(*Argyrotaenia franciscana*) and Pandemis leafroller(*Pandemis pyrusana*)), and
* six species of fungal pathogens (apple blotch(*Phyllosticta arbutifolia*), Gymnosporangiumrusts (*Gymnosporangium clavipes, G. juniperi-virginianae* and *G.* *libocedri*)*,* speck rot(*Phacidiopycnis washingtonensis*) and Sphaeropsis rot(*Sphaeropsis pyriputrescens*)).

Specific commercial production practices, already in place in PNW-USA, are recommended as mandatory to manage the risk of a further three pests: apple leafcurling midge (*Dasineura mali*), fire blight (*Erwinia amylovora*) and European canker (*Neonectria ditissima*).The draft report for this risk analysis was published on the Australian Government Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry website on 23 October 2020 for a 90-day stakeholder consultation period and was notified to WTO members (G/SPS/N/AUS/507).The final report is available in English on the Australian Government Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry website at: <https://www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity-trade/policy/risk-analysis/plant/apples-usa-2018> |
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