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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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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): <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Raw milk products- Fresh cheese, curd cheese and soft cheese (pasteurised)- Histamine susceptible fish and fish products- Puffer Fish- Ready-to-eat smoked fish and smoke flavoured fish (chilled)- Bovine meat and products containing bovine meat- Fermented meat products, meat paste and pate- Peanuts and pistachio nuts and their products (including peanut butter)- Tahini and crushed sesame seeds and any products containing these- Bivalve molluscan shellfish (BMS) and products containing BMS- Scallop Meat- Ready-to-eat crustaceans - lobsters, crabs, bugs, shrimps and prawns and their products- Pepper, chilli and paprika
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Food Notice: Importing Food. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 14 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/NZL/19_4837_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: Food Notice for Importing Food contains information on applying for a food importer registration, specifications on which foods are High Regulatory Interest (HRI) and which are Increased Regulatory Interest (IRI), specifications on requirements that must be met to obtain clearance for entry into New Zealand for a HRI or IRI food, and requirements for approved laboratories, including a list of current approved labs. Changes include: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Updating countries permitted to bring in HRI and IRI foods as a result of the United Kingdom voting to leave the European Union (Brexit);- Amending the BMS HRI to include the clearance requirements for scallop meat;- Minor amendments to information in Schedule 1 and 2, to increase clarity and fix formatting and errors.

7.	Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	<p>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): Guidelines for Food Import Control Systems, CAC/GL 47-2003</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
10.	<p>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 27 August 2019</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 27 August 2019</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 2 September 2019</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Comments will be taken at any time.</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Mrs Sally Jennings Coordinator, SPS New Zealand PO Box 2526 Wellington New Zealand Tel: +(64 4) 894 0431 Fax: +(64 4) 894 0733 E-mail: sps@mpi.govt.nz</p>
13.	<p>Text(s) available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Mrs Sally Jennings Coordinator, SPS New Zealand PO Box 2526 Wellington New Zealand Tel: +(64 4) 894 0431 Fax: +(64 4) 894 0733 E-mail: sps@mpi.govt.nz</p>