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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Member to Agreement notifying: <u>REPUBLIC OF KOREA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: National Plant Quarantine Service (NPQS), Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry
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): Fruit and kernel of walnut; fruit, stem and leaves of Solanaceae; fruit of Pomoideae and <i>Rubus</i> spp. in frozen condition.
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Walnut – All countries in Europe and Africa, Canada, United States of America, Mexico, Lebanon, Myanmar, Syria, Afghanistan, Jordan, Iraq, Iran, Israel, India, China, Turkey, Pakistan, Hong Kong, Bolivia, Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay, Chile, Colombia, Peru, Australia, New Zealand, Russia, Ukraine, Turkmenistan, Byelorussia, Moldova, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Tadjhikistan, Kyrgyzstan, Gruzuya, Estonia, Lithuania, Latvia. Solanacea – All countries in Europe, Lebanon, Myanmar, Syria, Jordan, Iraq, Iran, Israel, Turkey, Yemen, Libya, Morocco, Algeria, Egypt, Tunisia, Mozambique, Rwanda, Zaire, Guatemala, Mexico, United States of America, Dominica, El Salvador, Jamaica, Canada, Cuba, Brazil, Argentina, Chile, Uruguay, Australia, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Ukraine, Moldova, Lithuania). Pomoideae and <i>Rubus</i> spp. – All countries except Japan and Taiwan.
5. Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Paragraph 2 of Article 6 in the Revised Import Plant Quarantine Regulation. NPQS Notification No.2002-12 (1 page, available in Korean).
6. Description of content: It is confirmed that quarantine pests which are associated with the fruit and kernel of walnut; fruit, stem and leaves of Solanaceae; fruit of Pomoideae and <i>Rubus</i> spp. originating from the above-mentioned regions, cannot be eliminated by freezing. Therefore, these items in frozen condition will be considered as prohibited items as same with those in fresh condition.
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

<p>8. International standard, guideline or recommendation: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input type="checkbox"/> Office International des Epizooties, <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:</p>
<p>9. Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Official Gazette No.15249 (14 November 2002, available in Korean)</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption: To be determined.</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: For consignments shipped on and after 14 February 2003</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: 31 January 2003 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National notification authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:</p>
<p>13. Texts available from: <input type="checkbox"/> National notification authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:</p>