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**AGRICULTURAL PESTS ACT, 1983  
(ACT No. 36 OF 1983)**

**IMPORTATION OF CONTROLLED GOODS WITHOUT A PERMIT**

I, Angela Thokozile Didiza, Minister of Agriculture, acting under section 3 of the Agricultural Pests Act, 1983 (Act No. 36 of 1983), hereby make the determinations set out in the Schedule.

A.T. DIDIZA,

**Minister of Agriculture.**

**SCHEDULE**

**Definitions**

1. Any word or expression in this Schedule to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act shall have that meaning and, unless the context otherwise indicates -

“the Act” means the Agricultural Pests Act, 1983 (Act 36 of 1983).

“dunnage” means wood packaging material used to secure or support a commodity but which does not remain associated with the commodity

“FAO” means the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

“IPPC” means the International Plant Protection Convention

“ISPM” means International Standard for Phytosanitary Measures

“wood packaging material” means wood or wood products (excluding paper products) used in supporting, protection or carrying a commodity such as pallets, dunnage, crating, packing blocks, drums, cases, load boards, pallet collars and skids which can be present in almost in any imported consignment, including consignments which would not normally be the target of phytosanitary inspection, but excludes wood packaging made wholly of wood-based products such as plywood, particle board, oriented strand board or veneer that have been created using glue, heat and pressure or a combination thereof.

“wood” means a commodity class for round wood, sawn wood, wood chips or dunnage, with or without bark

**Prohibition on the import of wood packaging material**

2. No person shall import wood packaging material which do not comply with the measures of the FAO, IPPC – ISPM No 15, “ Guidelines for Regulating Wood Packaging Material in International Trade.”