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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>JAMAICA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Plant Quarantine Branch
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): Wood packing material
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: (1) International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures, revision of ISPM no.15, regulation of wood packaging material in international trade (2009) (2) Draft conditions for actions to be taken in Jamaica with the importation of wood packaging material (WPM) that is not in compliance with the International Standard For Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM 15) In International Trade Language: English Number of pages: 16 pages ISPM15 and I page draft conditions
6.	Description of content: Jamaica proposes to adopt the International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures No.15 "Guidelines for Regulating Wood Packaging Material in International Trade" published by IPPC, and has drafted the measures for the administration of imported non compliant wood packaging material.
7.	Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text) <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number) ISPM 15 <input type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:	
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: International Standards for Phytosanitary measures, revision of ISPM no.15, regulation of wood packaging material in international trade (2009) Draft conditions for ISPM 15 Non-compliance can be accessed at http://www.moa.gov.jm/Services/index.php
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 30 September 2010 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 30 September 2010
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 January 2011 <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 9 October 2010 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:
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