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## **ORGANIZATION**

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**Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures** 

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## **NOTIFICATION**

1.	Notifying Member: MALAYSIA
	If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Crop Protection and Plant Quarantine Division, Department of Agriculture, Ministry of Agriculture and Agro-based Industry, Malaysia
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 packaging material (including dunnage) made of coniferous and non-coniferous raw wood
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
	[X] All trading partners
	[] Specific regions or countries:
5.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> Implementation of International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM) No.15 for Import Consignments <b>Language:</b> Number of pages:
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> Malaysia proposes to adopt the International <i>Standard for Phytosanitary Measures No. 15 (Revised 2009): Regulation of Wood Packaging material in international trade (ISPM No. 15).</i> This regulation describes phytosanitary measures to reduce the risk of introduction and/or spread of quarantine pests associated with wood packaging material such as pallets, dunnage, crating, packing blocks, drums, cases, load boards, pallet collars, skids, etc. made of coniferous and non-coniferous raw wood which can be present in almost any imported consignment, including consignment which would not normally be the target of phytosanitary inspection.
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.
8.	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:
	[] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)
	[] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)
	[X] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number) ISPM 15

[] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? [X] Yes [] 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 Standard for Phytosanitary Measures No. 15 (Revised 2009): *Regulation of Wood Packaging Material in International Trade (ISPM No. 15)*. The full text of ISPM No. 15 is available in English at:

https://www.ippc.int/servlet/BinaryDownloaderServlet/133703\_ISPM\_15\_Revised\_2009.doc?filename=1240489124097\_ISPM\_15\_Revised\_2009\_E.doc&refID=133703\_

Notice to stakeholders. Implementation of International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM) No. 15 for Import Consignments

The document (available in English, 1 page) may be accessed at: <a href="http://www.doa.gov.my/pqnet/eng/announce/implementation\_ISPM15.pdf">http://www.doa.gov.my/pqnet/eng/announce/implementation\_ISPM15.pdf</a>

**10.** Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 1 January 2010

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 1 January 2010

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [X] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):
  - [X] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 12 December 2009

Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Director

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