

NAPPO Conference Call Report

Expert Group:	Revision of RSPM 38 Importation of certain wooden and bamboo commodities into a NAPPO member country			
Location:	Video conference			
Date:	September 28, 2020			
Chairperson	John Tyrone Jones II (APHIS-PPQ)			
Participants:	•			
Arvind Vasudevan (Vice-chair; CFIA)	Shamina Maccum (CFIA)	Scott Myers (APHIS-PPQ)		
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Summary				
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General comments/ Comentarios generales:	The NAPPO TD welcomed and thanked EG members for joining the call. Following the introductory remarks, he proposed to designate a note taker to add notes and edits on the Word document as the EG reviews RSPM 38. He recommended for the note taker to include the edits and comments in track change mode, and to provide a copy of the document with comments and edits to the Secretariat for translation. This document will be translated and shared with the EG members before the next conference call. Scott Myers volunteered for this task.			
Item 1:	Document revision			
Consensus:	 EG agreed to remove section 1.2 (intended use) and any other section in the document that makes reference to intended use. Consider including a definition section and defining the terms "ornament" and "processed/unprocessed" wood. Technical aspects should be considered to review the acceptable criteria for processed wood. Use the lists of pest interceptions provided by all NAPPO countries as a reference to update RSPM 38. Consider including wood ornaments. Consider adding a new section on "pet chews" made of wood or include them in a section on "ornaments and other decorative objects made of wood and/or bamboo". 			

 EG continued the revision work on section 2.1 (Treatments). EG members suggested to consider other alternative treatments for inclusion in the revised RSPM 38, and to add sections on heat and fumigation treatments. EG discussed the title change proposed by Mexico. The group agreed to continue the discussions on the proposed title change after analyzing the interception data from all three countries. Next Steps 				
Responsible Person	Action Date			
All	Continue reviewing the document			
Next Meeting				
Location:	Zoom meeting			
Date:	October 28 from 1:00-2:30 pm Eastern Standard Time.			
Proposed Agenda Items				
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