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NAPPO Conference Call Report

Expert Group:	Revision of RSPM 38 <i>Importation of certain wooden and bamboo commodities into a NAPPO member country</i>	
Location:	Zoom meeting – Video conference	
Date:	January 14, 2021	
Chairperson:	John Tyrone Jones, II (APHIS – PPQ)	
Participants:		
Gustavo González (SEMARNAT)	María Eugenia Alarcón (SEMARNAT)	Scott Myers (APHIS – PPQ)
Faith Campbell (CISP)	Jason Allen (APHIS – PPQ)	Brad Gething (US Industry)
Arvind Vasudevan (CFIA)	Nedelka Marín-Martínez (NAPPO)	Patricia Abad (APHIS – PPQ)
Alonso Suazo (NAPPO)		
Summary		
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General comments:	<p>The TD welcomed and thanked EG members for joining the call. Other points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EG approved the agenda as presented. • EG authorized recording the video conference for report purposes. The video file will be deleted after a report is written, approved, and uploaded into the NAPPO website. • The NAPPO TD agreed to take notes, write the report, and send to the chairperson for review and approval. <p>The chairperson indicated that the objectives of this call are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue with the revisions on the document (pending issues) and, • Continue discussion on expanding the scope based on the pest interception data available. 	
Item 1:	Pending items for discussion	
Consensus:	EG members suggested to expand non-compliance issues in the standard. Language in the standard was added to address this point. Other pending issues for discussion were addressed and included in the standard, including the section on fumigation.	
Item 2:	Expanding the scope: discussion based on data available	
Consensus:	The TD presented a summary of the pest interception data provided by all three NAPPO countries for the EG to determine whether there is a justification to expand the scope of the standard. The organization, content and amount of information was presented to the EG. Following the discussions on the data, the EG concluded that:	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All three databases contain little information on pest interceptions on wooden crafts and ornaments. • Most items listed in the databases could be addressed with other standards for example, ISPM 15 and ISPM 32. • The information on the available databases is not enough to justify an expansion of the scope. • The EG need to consider other options and/or reevaluate the data. 	
Item 3:	Decisions	
Consensus:	EG agreed to continue the discussion on the expansion of the scope.	
Next Steps		
Responsible Person	Action	Date
Next Meeting		
Location:	Zoom meeting - video conference	
Date:	February 16, 2021 from 1:00 to 2:00 pm EST.	
Proposed Agenda Items		
1. Evaluate the pest data		
2. Use the information to determine scope changes.		