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Dear NAPPO Expert Group on Likelihood of Establishment,

Congratulations on the completion of the discussion document on:

Likelihood of Establishment
Probabilidad de Establecimiento

The hard work of the Expert Group (EG) under the leadership of the Chairperson – Dr. Robert Favrin - has provided the NAPPO region with a new tool in keeping with NAPPO’s objective of protecting agriculture, forest, and other plant resources against regulated plant pests, while facilitating safe trade.

The next step for this document is country consultation. This process consists of making the document available in both English and Spanish through the NAPPO website. In the case of this document, comments will be accepted for a period of 60 days. For NAPPO country comments, one EG member per country alongside and AMC member for that country will serve as the official country contacts with the following responsibilities:

- ensure awareness of stakeholder groups in his/her country
- ensure that comments are received in the required format prior to the deadline
- seek clarifications to comments where necessary
- send out reminders for comments, as appropriate
- forward all comments to the NAPPO Secretariat as soon as possible after the deadline

Comments from outside the NAPPO region will be sent directly to the NAPPO Executive Director.

Once the period of Country Consultation closes, the Secretariat will translate all comments and share them with the entire EG and the AMC. The EG and AMC consider whether to accept or reject the comments. The decisions are recorded in the comment table.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or the NAPPO Technical Director.

Thanks again for all you do for NAPPO,

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