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NAPPO Conference Call Report

Expert Group:	ISPM-25 Guidance	
Location:	Zoom meeting - Videoconference	
Date:	December 9, 2020	
Chairperson	Brendon Reardon (APHIS-PPQ)	
Participants:		
Wendy Asbil (CFIA)	Christine Villegas (CFIA)	Helen Gerson (CBSA)
John Ercolani (Industry)	Erin Stiers (APHIS-PPQ)	Annaliese Blecha (CBP)
Neftali Reyes Carranza (SENASICA)	Francisca de la Cruz Martínez (SENASICA)	Nedelka Marín Martínez (NAPPO)
Alonso Suazo (NAPPO)		
Summary		
Project:	Standardization of responsibilities and actions for safeguarding consignments that have transited one NAPPO country to enter another NAPPO country.	
General comments:	<p>The Chairperson provided an outline of the discussions as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • identify additional scenarios for discussion at the end of the call • discuss documents provided by Canada and Mexico • NAPPO RSPM 23 as a reference for the EG work. 	
Item 1:	Documents provided by Canada and Mexico.	
Consensus:	<p>Previous to the discussions of the documents provided by Canada and Mexico, the Chairperson reminded the EG about the objectives of this work as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • determining roles and responsibilities of all parties involved in the movement of consignments between NAPPO member countries • establish communication roles of stakeholders <p>General comments on the “<i>Scenario I: Agricultural consignment from Mexico to Canada transiting the USA (in compliance in all three countries)</i>” flowchart:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EG agreed in previous calls to use the format presented for this document and additional scenarios to discuss in the future • EG members should identify the different stakeholders involved in different sections described in the document • Include links to additional information including regulations, laws or any other information that might be useful 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The format and information included in this document (Scenario I) should be used as a reference for future flowcharts. Keeping a standard and consistent format and information across flowcharts will facilitate the use of the manual • a communication plan should be developed for each scenario • options to develop a separate communication plan for each scenario or include them in the same flowchart were discussed • EG agreed to have all the role and responsibilities and the communication plan in the same flowchart • all members were encouraged to provide additional information to the flowchart specially the industry as they are a critical component in the movement of consignments in the NAPPO region.
Item 2:	NAPPO RSPM 23 (<i>Guidelines for consignments in transit</i>)
Consensus:	<p>The Chairperson:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • encouraged EG members to read RSPM 23 and indicated the standard could be used as a reference for the guidance document • indicated that RSPM 23 is an old document and has been archived by NAPPO • indicated that the document has important information for the group to consider including roles and responsibilities of parties involved, definitions, communication of non-compliance cases and other relevant aspects for the EG work.
Item 3:	Discussion of documents provided by Canada and Mexico.
Consensus:	<p>Canada's document – <i>Scenario I: Agricultural consignment from USA to off-shore country transiting Canada (compliant in all three countries)</i></p> <p>Christine Villegas (CFIA) indicated that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the document was developed using the template provided by the USA • outlined and explained the different steps described in the document • noted and explained the difference between the scenario presented by Canada and the US scenario • CBSA member will share with the EG the instructions and links for reporting consignment in Canada. This information will be added to the document. <p>Mexico's document - <i>International transit: Phytosanitary Import requirements module</i></p> <p>Neftali Reyes (SENASICA) provided the following highlights on the "<i>International Transit: Phytosanitary Import Requirements Module</i>":</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the scenario described (flowchart) the importation from

	<p>any country, of vegetables as an agricultural commodity to Mexico</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • steps and procedures for the importation of vegetables were described • an example of this process from products moved from Guatemala to the USA was described • reasons for non-compliance were explained • the process described in the example can be applied to any other consignment • the requirement form was published in April 2020. <p>The chairperson proposed to have the EG working in two subgroups. One with the task to develop the “white paper” (document) and a second subgroup developing the flowcharts to use in the final guidance document.</p>
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Other subjects:	<p>The chairperson proposed the following action items for the group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to work on a communication flowchart to present for discussion during the next conference call. This flowchart will be provided by each country and will be based on the roles and responsibilities flowcharts • provide the regulations needed in each NAPPO country and the respective links to access the documents. This information will be inserted in the flowcharts as they are being developed by the subgroup • provide a list of additional scenarios to include in the document. The US proposed to include a scenario involving the movement of consignments from outside the NAPPO region.
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Next Steps

Responsible Person	Action	Date
Helen Gerson (CBSA)	Share CBSA document with instructions for reporting consignment into Canada	
EG members	Provide a communication flowchart for each country based on the roles and responsibilities flowcharts discussed in this and the last conference call. Flowcharts should be provided to the Secretariat at least one week prior to the next conference call.	January 19, 2021
EG members	Provide communication flowcharts, regulations needed with the corresponding links and additional scenarios to include in the manual.	January 19, 2021

Next Meeting

Location:	Zoom meeting - Videoconference
Date:	January 26, 2021 from 1:00-2:30 pm EST

Proposed Agenda Items

1. Review communication protocol for scenario “Agricultural consignment from Mexico to Canada transiting USA (compliant in all three countries).”

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| 2. Review communication protocol for scenario "Agricultural consignment from third country to USA transiting Mexico (compliant in all three countries)." |
| 3. Review communication protocol for scenario "Agricultural consignment from third country to USA transiting Canada (compliant in all three countries)." |
| 4. Identify and document additional scenarios including non-compliances and stakeholder roles and responsibilities. |