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NAPPO Conference Call Report

Expert Group:	Seeds	
Location:	Teleconference	
Date:	Thursday, May 26, 2016	
Chairperson	Christina Devorshak	
Participants:		
Jean-François Dubuc, CFIA	Stephanie Bloem, NAPPO	Claudio Chavarin, SENASICA
Janine Maruschak, CFIA	Angela McMellen-Brannigan, APHIS	Katharine Church, CFIA
Stephan Briere, CFIA	Patricia Abad, APHIS	Alejandra Elizalde, Mexican industry
Ric Dunkle, US industry	Kelly Criss, US Industry	Rebecca Lee, NAPPO

Summary

Project:	Developing harmonized criteria for evaluating phytosanitary seed treatments
General comments:	Christina presented a proposed draft outline that could serve as the basis for developing a document according to the project proposal. The group reviewed the document during the call but Christina agreed to have the document translated and circulated to the group for review before finalizing the proposed outline.
Item 1:	The group discussed whether the project would be limited to vegetable seeds, or include any type of seeds.
Consensus:	The group agreed that the work being done by the group should apply to any type of seeds, including grain seeds (for planting), vegetable seeds, etc.
Item 2:	The group was informed that the IPPC standard on seeds would be available for country consultation in July. The group discussed whether the NAPPO seed group should discuss the IPPC draft.
Consensus:	The group agreed to have the next EG meeting in July after the IPPC draft is available so that the EG could discuss the draft.
Item 3:	The group noted that a spreadsheet has been provided on the google docs site so that members of the expert group can enter information on seed treatments for review by all members of the EG.
Consensus:	The EG members agreed to begin to add content to the spreadsheet that could be used as examples in the proposed document.

Next Steps		
Responsible Person	Action	Date
NPPO expert group members	Begin to fill out the spreadsheet on treatment information	ASAP
NPPO expert group members	Continue to gather relevant information and send to Chair	ASAP
NAPPO Secretariat	Circulate the proposed document outline to members of the EG for their comments	June 6, 2016
Next Meeting		
Location:	Conference call and Webinar	
Date:	July 11, 11 am ET, 10 pm Mexico	
Proposed Agenda Items		
1. Draft IPPC standard on seeds		
2. Development of document based on outline		
3.		