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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.

Member to Agreement notifying: BOLIVIA

If applicable, name of local government involved:

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Agency responsible: National Service for Agricultural Health and Food Safety (SENASAG)

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Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Wood packaging material in international trade.

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Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: All countries.

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Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Resolución Administrativa (Administrative Resolution) No. 059/2005 of 24 May (21 pages).

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Description of content: Approves the regulations on wood packaging material in international trade.

Chapter I

General Provisions

Article 1. Objectives

1.1. Establish procedures and regulations permitting the efficient inspection of wood packaging material in international trade and the registration, control and monitoring of companies authorized to carry out the phytosanitary treatment of wood packaging under International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures ( [ISPM](#) ) 15 .

1.2. Reduce the risk of the introduction and/or spread of quarantine pests associated with wood packaging material used in the transport of commodities in international trade.

1.3. Specify the phytosanitary procedures for authorizing the function and application of the phytosanitary treatment of wood packaging material.

#### Article 2. Scope

These regulations shall be applicable throughout the national territory and binding, without exception, on natural and legal persons and public and private entities engaged in international trade in and transport of goods.

#### Article 3. Wood packaging material covered by the regulations

The types of wood packaging subject to the application of these regulations are pallets, dunnage panels, crating, packaging blocks, drums, cases, load boards, pallet collars and skids, of a thickness exceeding six millimetres, and packaging which can be present in any imported or exported commodities, including imports and/or exports not normally subject to phytosanitary inspection.

#### Article 4. Wood packaging material not covered by the regulations

The types of wood packaging excluded from the application of these regulations are those made wholly of wood-based products such as plywood, particle board, oriented strand board or veneer that have been created using glue, heat and pressure or a combination thereof, and wood packaging material such as veneer peeler cores, sawdust, wood wool, wood shavings and raw wood cut to a thickness not exceeding six millimetres.

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Objective and rationale:  food safety,  animal health,  plant protection,  protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease,  protect territory from other damage from pests:

8.

International standard, guideline or recommendation:

Codex Alimentarius Commission,  World Organization for Animal Health (OIE),  International Plant Protection Convention,  None

If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:

9.

Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: National Service for Agricultural Health and Food Safety (SENASAG) Administrative Resolution No. 059/2005 of 24 May 2005 (available in Spanish).

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Proposed date of adoption: 24 May 2005

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Proposed date of entry into force: 60 days as of the date of notification

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Final date for comments:

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