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PLANT BIOSECURITY POLICY MEMORANDUM 2003/33

DRAFT IMPORT POLICY FOR FRESH PERSIMMON FRUIT FROM JAPAN, KOREA AND ISRAEL

This Plant Biosecurity Policy Memorandum is to notify stakeholders of the release of the draft import policy report for fresh persimmon fruit from Japan, Korea and Israel, considered as an extension under the existing policy for fresh persimmon fruit from New Zealand and US.

Plant Biosecurity Policy Memorandum 2003/16 of 18 June 2003 notified stakeholders of Plant Biosecurity's intention to assess the market access requests for persimmons from Japan, Korea and Israel as an extension of existing policy.

A draft import policy for persimmon fruit from Japan, Korea and Israel has now been developed. The draft import policy is available from the DAFF website at www.daff.gov.au/plantbiosecurity or copies can be requested from Technical and Administrative Services. Comments on the draft import policy should be received by Technical and Administrative Services by 31 January 2004.

Confidentiality

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The contents of the submission will not be treated as confidential unless they are marked 'confidential' and they are capable of being classified as such in accordance with the *Freedom of Information Act 1982*.

Consultation

If you wish to suggest inclusion of an additional stakeholder in our distribution list, or if you wish to be removed from the distribution list, please provide details to Technical and Administrative Services:

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