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PLANT BIOSECURITY POLICY MEMORANDUM 2002/45

IMPORT RISK ANALYSIS - FRESH PINEAPPLE FRUIT

This Plant Biosecurity Policy Memorandum (PBPM) advises stakeholders that policy to allow imports of fresh pineapple fruit from the Philippines, the Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka and Thailand incorporating conditions outlined in the final Import Risk Analysis (IRA) report has now been adopted.

Biosecurity Australia released a final IRA Report on imports of fresh pineapple fruit from the Philippines, the Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka and Thailand on 1 July 2002.

Stakeholders were given the opportunity to appeal to the Secretary of the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry - Australia. Two appeals were received and following consideration by an Import Risk Analysis Appeal Panel were subsequently dismissed.

The policy to allow imports of fresh pineapple fruit from the Philippines, the Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka and Thailand incorporating conditions outlined in the final IRA report has now been adopted. The conditions include de-crowning of fruit and pre-shipment methyl bromide fumigation. Application of the policy will now proceed and the Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service (AQIS) will revise the existing import conditions on the AQIS website (www.aqis.gov.au/icon). The final IRA report is available from the AFFA website at www.affa.gov.au/plantbiosecurity or copies can be requested from the contact point below.

Biosecurity Australia would like to thank all stakeholders for their involvement in finalising this IRA process. If you have any further queries please contact Technical and Administrative Services.

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