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PLANT BIOSECURITY POLICY MEMORANDUM 2003/06

**POLICY REVIEW - OLIVE NURSERY STOCK FROM
APPROVED SOURCES**

This Plant Biosecurity Policy Memorandum (PBPM) notifies stakeholders that Biosecurity Australia has prepared draft import conditions for olive nursery stock from approved sources.

Plant Quarantine Policy Memorandum 2000/11 invited comment on revised import conditions for olive nursery stock from approved sources in Italy and Israel. Since this time, Spain has requested access for olive nursery stock from approved sources. Biosecurity Australia has taken into account comments received in response to PBPM 2000/11, technical information provided by the Spanish National Plant Protection Organisation and the potential approved source in preparing draft import conditions based on a review of existing import conditions.

Further background to this review and the draft import conditions are contained within a draft technical paper which is available from the AFFA website at www.affa.gov.au/plantbiosecurity or copies can be requested from the contact point below.

You are invited to comment on the paper. Written submissions will be accepted until the close of business 5 March 2003 and should be forwarded to:

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Stakeholders are encouraged to make submissions electronically.

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

Respondents are advised that, subject to the Freedom of Information Act 1982 and the Privacy Act 1988, all submissions received in response to Plant Biosecurity Policy Memoranda will be publicly available and may be listed or referred to in any papers or reports prepared on the subject matter of the memoranda.

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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.

Information on policy reviews being conducted by Plant Biosecurity is available on the AFFA website at www.affa.gov.au/plantbiosecurity.

I look forward to receiving your comments on the draft technical paper.

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