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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>COLOMBIA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Colombian Agricultural Institute (ICA)
3.	Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Wood packaging material
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: All countries
5.	Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Colombian Agricultural Institute (ICA) Resolution No. 01079 of 3 June 2004 Regulating the Phytosanitary Procedures for Wood Packaging Material in International Trade (6 pages, in Spanish).
6.	Description of content: This Resolution regulates the phytosanitary procedures for wood packaging material in international trade. It lays down the requirements for natural and legal persons engaged in the production, marketing and phytosanitary treatment of wood packaging material in use in international trade, who must register with the Colombian Agricultural Institute (ICA) in order to receive authorization to apply the internationally recognized mark or stamp.
7.	Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [] animal health, [X] plant protection, [X] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [X] protect territory from other damage from pests
8.	International standard, guideline or recommendation: [] Codex Alimentarius Commission, [] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), [X] International Plant Protection Convention, [] None If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations: International Standard for Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM) No. 15
9.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Ministry of Agriculture Resolution No. 0245 of 10 November 2003 (available in Spanish).
10.	Proposed date of adoption: 3 June 2004
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: 9 June 2004

12. Final date for comments: 1 October 2004

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