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Dear IPPC Contact Point,

Re: Meeting National Reporting Obligations (NROs): Regulated Pests Lists

As you may recall, the New Revised Text of the International Plant Protection Convention (1997) established several reporting obligations (NROs) which are the legal responsibility of all contracting parties to the Convention. The IPPC Official Contact Points (OCPs) designated by the contracting parties are central to meeting these NROs. OCPs are responsible for official communications under the Convention, and are in practice responsible for providing reports via the International Phytosanitary Portal – the IPP (www.ippc.int), as agreed by the Commission on Phytosanitary Measures (CPM).

Since 2014, each year has been dedicated to a different national reporting obligation to raise awareness on NROs. As announced during the CPM-13 the period starting in April 2018 and leading up to CPM-14 becomes the “*NRO Year of Regulated Pests Lists*”. The CPM-13 noted that focus of NRO activities in 2018 would be on creating, posting and updating regulated pests lists by National Plant Protection Organizations and OCPs.

Given this context, the IPPC Secretariat would like to take this opportunity to remind you that contracting parties should, *to the best of their ability, establish and update lists of regulated pests, using scientific names, and make such lists available to the Secretary, to regional plant protection organizations of which they are members and, on request, to other contracting parties (Article VII.2(i) of the IPPC).*

To facilitate reporting process, the CPM has agreed that meeting NROs *via* the IPP is the preferred method of official reporting under the IPPC. All OCPs, and their appointed IPP editors, have been given access to upload reports on the IPP. The NRO Guide was prepared by the IPPC Secretariat to assist you in reporting and is available in Arabic, English, French, Russian and Spanish, [and can be found in the NRO folder on the IPP](#). At the same time, the IPPC Secretariat would like to remind you that once any report has been uploaded on the IPP, the information should be updated regularly in a timely manner by the contracting party.

Taking into account the above, the IPPC Secretariat would like to invite you to visit your country’s page on the IPP and review information present there. You are welcome to upload new report/s and update report/s already present there under NRO: List of Regulated Pests.

Furthermore, be informed that forthcoming issues of the NRO educational newsletter “NROs UPDATE” will focus on issues connected with this NRO. The newsletter [will be made available to contracting parties on the IPP](#) and distributed quarterly by the IPPC Secretariat via email.

We would greatly appreciate your cooperation on meeting this NRO through regular and timely reporting. We will be monitoring progress closely while all reports of [Lists of Regulated Pests could be seen on the IPP](#).

In case you experience problems or have queries, please do not hesitate to contact the IPPC Secretariat (Dorota Buzon: dorota.buzon@fao.org).

Yours faithfully,

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