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COMMISSION ON PHYTOSANITARY MEASURES

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| Eighth Session |
| Rome, 8 - 12 April 2013 |
| Replacement of Bureau members (2012-2014) |
| Agenda item 17 |
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1. At its second session in 2007, the CPM adopted an amendment to its Rules of Procedure as follows:

“RULE II - OFFICERS

"1. The Commission shall elect a Chairperson, not more than two Vice-Chairpersons and other persons from among the delegates to form a Bureau of seven persons, so that each FAO region is represented. The Commission shall elect a rapporteur for each regular session from among the delegates. No delegate shall be eligible for election without the concurrence of the respective head of delegation. The Bureau shall be elected under FAO Rules and Regulations at the end of a regular CPM session and shall hold office for a term of two years. The Chairperson, or in the absence of the Chairperson, a Vice-Chairperson, shall preside at all meetings of the Commission and shall exercise such other functions as may be required to facilitate the work of the Commission. A Vice-Chairperson acting as a Chairperson shall have the same powers and duties as the Chairperson. The purpose of the Bureau is to provide guidance to the CPM on the strategic direction, financial and operational management of its activities in cooperation with others as approved by CPM."

2. In 2012, the CPM Bureau was informed by Ms. Lois Ransom, the Bureau representative from the Southwest Pacific region, that she was resigning from the CPM Bureau. Subsequently, the IPPC Secretariat was informed by the Southwest Pacific region that they proposed Mr. Peter Thomson to replace Ms. Ransom for the remainder of her term.

3. Consequently, CPM-8 (2013) is asked to decide whether to accept the proposal of the Southwest Pacific region and elect Mr. Thomson to the Bureau to fill the remainder of Ms. Ransom's term, which will end at CPM-9 in 2014, as a representative from the Southwest Pacific region.

4. Rule II.1 makes clear that **a person can only be elected to the Bureau if he/she is present at the session of the CPM where the election takes place.**

5. The CPM is invited to:

- 1) *elect* Mr. Peter Thomson as the Bureau member for the Southwest Pacific region for the remainder of the term previously held by Ms. Lois Ransom (ending at CPM-9 (2014)).