**FORUM SUMMARY FOR SC E-DECISION**

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**Approval for consultation: Draft annex to ISPM 28: Irradiation treatment for *Pseudococcus baliteus* (2023-033)**

Background

1. In response to the joint Call for phytosanitary treatments, the proposal for Irradiation treatment for *Pseudococcus baliteus* (2023-033) was submitted in 2023.
2. The SC in September 2023, by their e-decision 2023\_eSC\_Nov\_14[[1]](#footnote-1) added the topic to the TPPT work program with priority 1.
3. The TPPT reviewed the proposal at their 2023-10 meeting[[2]](#footnote-2) and recommend to the SC to approve the draft treatment for consultation.
4. During editing of the draft treatment, the secretariat questioned the text in the “treatment scope” and “target regulated article” sections. Initially, during the October 2023 meeting, the TPPT chose not to specify these details. However, in the February 2024 virtual meeting, they agreed to reinstate the details on which target regulated articles the treatment applies to. Hence, *irradiation of fruits and vegetables at* and *All fruits, vegetables and ornamental plants that are hosts of* were added respectively to the “treatment scope” and “target regulated article” sections of this treatment[[3]](#footnote-3). This aligns with the language of previously adopted phytosanitary treatments.

**Summary of SC e-forum discussion**

1. During the SC e-decision, the SC was invited to review the Draft annex to ISPM 28: Irradiation treatment for *Pseudococcus baliteus* (2023-033) to approve it for consultation in 2024.
2. The SC e-forum was open from the 12 March to the 27 March 2024. 17 SC members provided their comments.

SC e-decision

1. Based on the forum discussions, the SC approved the Draft annex to ISPM 28: Irradiation treatment for *Pseudococcus baliteus* (2023-033) for consultation in 2024.
1. 2023-11 Report of the Standards Committee meeting: [2023-11 Report of the Standards Committee - International Plant Protection Convention (ippc.int)](https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/92995/) [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. 2023-10 TPPT Meeting Report: [2023-10 TPPT Meeting Report (Rome, Italy) - International Plant Protection Convention (ippc.int)](https://www.ippc.int/en/publications/93147/) [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. 2024-02 TPPT virtual meeting report will be posted here: [Technical Panel on Phytosanitary Treatments (TPPT) - International Plant Protection Convention (ippc.int)](https://www.ippc.int/en/commission/standards-committee/technical-panels/technical-panel-phytosanitary-treatments/) [↑](#footnote-ref-3)