Secretariat update

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1. Items arising from SC e-decisions
2. E-decisions on the following items were submitted to the SC:

***Draft PTs for approval for member consultation***

1. *Sulfuryl fluoride fumigation of wood packaging material* (2007-101): The SC approved these two treatment schedules for member consultation with a number of minor comments.
2. *Heat treatment of wood using dielectric heating* (2007-114): The SC approved this treatment schedule for member consultation with a number of minor comments and adjustments to the text.

***Draft specifications for approval for member consultation***

1. *Requirements for the use of phytosanitary treatments as phytosanitary measures* (2014-008): The SC approved this draft specification for member consultation with a number of minor comments and adjustments to the text.
2. The forum decisions made by the SC will be confirmed at the SC meeting in November.
3. EWG on Wood and Bamboo Products
4. An EWG met in September to draft an ISPM for *Wood and bamboo products (including handicrafts)* (2008-008). The EWG:
5. *Agreed* that bamboo products and handicrafts should be included as their management was similar to that of wood products and handicrafts, and proposed that the title should reflect this (former title *International movement of wood products and handicrafts made from wood*).
6. *Identified* a number of wood and bamboo products that should be excluded from the requirements of the ISPM, including aged and valuable products.
7. *Agreed* that the phytosanitary risks posed by wood and bamboo products could most efficiently and effectively be managed by exporting countries.
8. *Agreed* to phytosanitary measures that would be verified through the use of a *certificate of compliance* (manufacturing or treatment certificate) rather than a phytosanitary certificate.