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According to the result of harmful organism risk analysis conducted by Chinese experts on wood packing from the EU, wood packing of EU goods has high quarantine risks and may carry and spread many dangerous harmful pests for forestry such as cerambycidae, scolytidae, bostrychidae, rhinotermitidae, and etc. In order to protect China's forests, ecological environment and tourist resources and in accordance with the Law on Entry-Exit Quarantine of Animals and Plants of the PRC and relevant implementation rules, it is decided to take the following interim emergency quarantine measure:

1. Wood packing of goods from the EU to China should not contain barks and must undergo heat treatment, fumigation or other effective defesting treatment recognized by China before exports. The official quarantine authority of the exporting country should issue plant quarantine certificates to prove that the goods have completed the above-mentioned treatment. Wood packing that has been treated should carry a mark which shows information about the method, place and the operating body of the defesting treatment or the code of the body. Technical requirements on the defesting treatment will be published separately. For goods without wood packing, exporters must provided a Non Wood Packing Declaration.
2. When goods exported from the EU enters into the border, importers shall apply for inspection to entry-exit inspection and quarantine administration and submit Plant Health Certificate or a Non Wood Packing Declaration. Entry-exit inspection and quarantine administration shall conduct sampling examination and quarantine in accordance with relevant regulations.
3. Goods which meet the requirements shall be issued Customs Clearance Bill of Entry, which will be examined by the Customs and given customs clearance. Wood packing of goods that do not meet the requirements shall be treated with defestation by importers under the supervision of entry-exit inspection and quarantine administration or shall be returned along with the goods.
4. Customs offices at all ports shall strengthen supervisions over goods from the EU. As to imported goods from the EU, regardless of whether they are listed in the List of Commodities to be Inspected by Entry-Exit Inspection and Quarantine Administration, Customs shall examine Customs Clearance Bill of Entry in addition to normal checking. As to goods which are applied for transit, the goods will be

cleared by the Customs of the destination with the Customs Clearance Bill of Entry issued by the entry-exit inspection and quarantine administration of the destination.
5. This emergency quarantine measure shall enter into force on 1st October 2002.

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