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To: All registered professional operators and importers of plant and plant produce

Subject: Temporary ban on the introduction of certain fruits originating in Argentina to prevent the introduction into the Union of *Phyllosticta citricarpa* (Citrus Black Spot)

With immediate effect, and having regard to Council Regulation (EU) 2016/2031 on protective measures against pests of plants, the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed has temporarily amended Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072 and prohibited the movement of specified commodities listed below from Argentina.

The introduction into the territory of the Union of the following fruits shall be prohibited until further notice:

- Fruits of Citrus limon
- Fruits of Citrus sinensis

The full background to this amendment is set out in <u>amendment to Commission Implementing</u> Regulation (EU) 2019/2072 and is effective immediately.

In the event that you have any queries in relation to this matter, please contact this office either by e-mailing plantandpests@agriculture.gov.ie or alternatively by telephone (01)5058885.

Yours sincerely

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