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SUMMARY REPORT

B.01 Exchange of views and possible technical opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072 to temporarily prohibit the introduction into the Union of certain fruits originating in Argentina to prevent the introduction into and the spread within the Union of *Phyllosticta citricarpa* (McAlpine) Van der Aa

The Commission presented a draft text amending Annex VI of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072 to temporarily prohibit the introduction into the Union of lemons and oranges originating in Argentina, due to the high number of *Phyllosticta citricarpa* (citrus black spot) interceptions notified by Member States in May, June, July and the first week of August.

The Committee welcomed the measure and supported the draft proposal from the Commission.

The Commission explained that, due to the urgency of the matter and the severity of the phytosanitary risk, it will apply an urgent written procedure to adopt the text on 13 August, publish on Friday 14 August 2020 and enter into force on 16 August 2020. Concerning the acceptability of consignments already in transport between Argentina and Europe by the date of application of the measure, the Commission announced that it will provide guidance on the proposed line to take in writing.