

Importation of Tomato Fruit, *Lycopersicon esculentum* from France into the United States

Qualitative, Pathway-Initiated Pest Risk Assessment

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A. Introduction

This pest risk assessment was prepared by the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to examine plant pest risks associated with the importation into the United States of **fresh tomato fruits (*Lycopersicon esculentum*) grown in France**. This is a qualitative pest risk assessment, that is, estimates of risk are expressed in qualitative terms such as high or low rather than numerical terms such as probabilities or frequencies.

International plant protection organizations, *e.g.*, North American Plant Protection Organization (NAPPO) and International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), provide guidance for conducting pest risk analyses. The methods used to initiate, conduct, and report this plant pest risk assessment are consistent with guidelines provided by NAPPO, IPPC and FAO. Our use of biological and phytosanitary terms, *e.g.*, introduction, quarantine pest, conforms with the *NAPPO Compendium of Phytosanitary Terms* (Hopper, 1996) and the *Definitions and Abbreviations* (Introduction Section) in *International Standards for Phytosanitary Measures, Section 1—Import Regulations: Guidelines for Pest Risk Analysis* (FAO 1996).

Pest risk assessment is one component of an overall pest risk analysis. The *Guidelines for Pest Risk Analysis* provided by FAO (1996) describe three stages in pest risk analysis. This document satisfies the requirements of FAO Stages 1 (initiation) and two (risk assessment).

The Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO, 1996) defines "pest risk assessment" as "Determination of whether a pest is a quarantine pest and evaluation of its introduction potential." "Quarantine pest" is defined as "A pest of potential economic importance to the area endangered thereby and not yet present there, or present but not widely distributed and being officially controlled" (FAO, 1996; Hopper, 1996). Thus, pest risk assessments should consider both the likelihood and consequences of introduction of quarantine pests. Both issues are addressed in this qualitative pest risk assessment.

This document presents the findings of the qualitative plant pest risk assessment. The assessment methods or the criteria used to rate the various risk elements are not described in detail. The details of methodology and rating criteria can be found in: *Pathway-Initiated Pest Risk Assessment: Guidelines for Qualitative Assessments, version 4.0* (USDA, 1995); available from the individual named in the proposed regulations, or on our website at www.aphis.usda.gov/ppq/bats.

B. Risk Assessment

1. Initiating Event: Proposed Action

This pest risk assessment is commodity-based, and therefore "pathway-initiated"; the assessment is in response to a request for USDA authorization to allow importation of a particular commodity presenting a potential plant pest risk. In this case, the importation of **fresh tomato fruits (*Lycopersicon esculentum*) grown in France** is a potential pathway for introduction of plant pests. Regulatory authority for the importation of fruits and vegetables from foreign sources into the U.S. is found in 7 CFR §319.56 .

2. Assessment of Weediness Potential of tomato, *Lycopersicon esculentum*

Table 1 shows the results of the weediness screening for *Lycopersicon esculentum*. These findings did not require a pest-initiated risk assessment.

Table 1: Process for Determining Weediness Potential of Commodity

Commodity: *Lycopersicon esculentum* Mill., tomato (Solanaceae). Native to western South America.

Phase 1: *Lycopersicon esculentum* is widely cultivated in the United States.

Phase 2: Is the species listed in:

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| <u>Yes</u> | <i>Geographical Atlas of World Weeds</i> (Holm, 1979) |
| <u>NO</u> | <i>World's Worst Weeds</i> (Holm, 1977) |
| <u>NO</u> | <i>Report of the Technical Committee to Evaluate Noxious Weeds; Exotic Weeds for Federal Noxious Weed Act</i> (Gunn and Ritchie, 1982) |
| <u>NO</u> | <i>Economically Important Foreign Weeds</i> (Reed, 1977) |
| <u>NO</u> | Weed Science Society of America list (WSSA, 1989) |
| <u>NO</u> | Is there any literature reference indicating weediness (e.g., <i>AGRICOLA</i> , <i>CAB</i> , <i>Biological Abstracts</i> , <i>AGRIS</i> ; search on "species name" combined with "weed"). |

Phase 3: Conclusion: *Lycopersicon esculentum* Mill. is listed in the *Geographical Atlas of World Weeds* as a common weed of Taiwan and a weed of unknown importance in Honduras (Belize) and the United States.

3. Previous Risk Assessments, Current Status and Pest Interceptions

3a. Decision history for *Lycopersicon esculentum*

- 1957 - France: Entry permitted subject to inspection at New York.
- 1973 - Spain & Canary Islands: Green tomatoes permitted entry into North Atlantic and North Pacific ports subject to inspection. Transshipments to southern ports or California are prohibited.
- 1984 - Netherlands: Entry permitted subject to inspection.
- 1987 - Canary Islands: Commercial shipments of green only tomatoes permitted entry subject to inspection.
- 1987 - Channel Islands: Entry permitted subject to inspection.
- 1988 - Spain: Commercial shipments of green tomatoes permitted entry into all ports subject to inspection.
- 1994 - Spain (Almeria Province): Greenhouse-grown red or pink tomatoes are permitted entry subject to special certification.

3b. Interceptions from area for FY 1985-97.

<u>Country</u>	<u>Pest</u>	<u>Host</u>	<u>Tally</u>
MOROCCO	HELICOVERPA ARMIGERA	LYCOPERSICON ESCULENTUM (FRUIT)	1
NETHERLANDS	AGROMYZIDAE, SPECIES OF	LYCOPERSICON ESCULENTUM (FRUIT)	2
NETHERLANDS	AGROMYZIDAE, SPECIES OF	LYCOPERSICON LYCOPERSICUM (FRU)	2
NETHERLANDS	AGROMYZIDAE, SPECIES OF	LYCOPERSICON SP. (FRUIT)	2
NETHERLANDS	ALEYRODIDAE, SPECIES OF	LYCOPERSICON SP. (FRUIT)	1
NETHERLANDS	APHIDIDAE, SPECIES OF	LYCOPERSICON ESCULENTUM (FRUIT)	1
NETHERLANDS	APHIDIDAE, SPECIES OF	LYCOPERSICON SP. (FRUIT)	1
NETHERLANDS	LIRIOMYZA SP.	LYCOPERSICON SP. (FRUIT)	1
NETHERLANDS	MACROLOPHUS SP.	LYCOPERSICON SP. (FRUIT)	1
NETHERLANDS	MIRIDAE, SPECIES OF	LYCOPERSICON SP. (FRUIT)	1
NETHERLANDS	NOCTUIDAE, SPECIES OF	LYCOPERSICON ESCULENTUM (FRUIT)	1
NETHERLANDS	NOTODONTIDAE, SPECIES OF	LYCOPERSICON SP. (STEM)	1
SPAIN	THEBA PISANA	LYCOPERSICON LYCOPERSICUM (FRU)	1

4. Pest List: Pests Associated with *Lycopersicon*

The pests, listed for *Lycopersicon* spp. in Table 2, were developed after a review of the information sources listed in USDA (1995). The list summarizes information on the distribution of each pest, pest-commodity association, and regulatory history.

Table 2: Pest List - <i>Lycopersicon</i> spp.			
Scientific Name, Classification	Distribution¹	Comments²	References
Pathogens			
<i>Alternaria alternata</i> (Fr.:Fr.) Keissl. (Fungi Imperfecti: Hyphomycetes)	FR,US	c,o	Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989; Logrieco <i>et al.</i> , 1990
<i>Alternaria solani</i> Sorauer (Fungi Imperfecti: Hyphomycetes)	FR,Europe,US	c,o	CMI, 1983 Jones <i>et al.</i> , 1991; Veschambre <i>et al.</i> , 1976
<i>Botrytis cinerea</i> Pers.:Fr. (Fungi Imperfecti: Hyphomycetes)	FR,US	c,o	Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989; Jones <i>et al.</i> , 1991; Nicot and Allex, 1991
<i>Colletotrichum acutatum</i> Simmonds (Fungi Imperfecti: Coelomycetes)	FR,US	o,z _u	EPPO, 1995; Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989
<i>Colletotrichum coccodes</i> (Wallr.) S. J. Hughes (Fungi Imperfecti: Coelomycetes)	FR,US	c,o	Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989; Jones <i>et al.</i> , 1991; Davet and Ravise, 1976
<i>Colletotrichum dematium</i> (Pers.) Grove (Fungi Imperfecti: Coelomycetes)	FR,Temperate areas	c,o	Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989; Jones <i>et al.</i> , 1991; IRAT, 1979
<i>Colletotrichum gloeosporioides</i> (Penz.) Penz. & Sacc. in Penz. (Fungi Imperfecti: Coelomycetes)	FR,US	c,o	Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989; Jones <i>et al.</i> , 1991; IRAT, 1978
<i>Didymella lycopersici</i> Kleb. (Loculoascomycetes: Dothideales) Anamorph: <i>Phoma lycopersici</i>	FR,Europe,US	a,c,e,o	CMI, 1985; Jones <i>et al.</i> , 1991; Laterrot, 1983
<i>Fulvia fulva</i> (Cooke) Cif. (Fungi Imperfecti: Hyphomycetes)	FR,US	o	Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989; Jones <i>et al.</i> , 1991; Lemaire <i>et al.</i> , 1988
<i>Fusarium oxysporum</i> Schlechtend.:Fr. f. sp. <i>lycopersici</i> (Sacc.) W.C. Snyder & H. N. Hans (Fungi Imperfecti: Hyphomycetes)	FR,US	a,c,e,o	Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989; Jones <i>et al.</i> , 1991; Lemanceau and Alabouvette, 1991
<i>Macrophomina phaseolina</i> (Tassi) Goidanich (Imperfecti: Coelomycetes)	FR,US	c,o	Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989; Jones <i>et al.</i> , 1991; Perron <i>et al.</i> , 1990
<i>Phytophthora capsici</i> Leonian (Oomycetes: Peronosporales)	FR,US	c,o,z _u	EPPO, 1995; FAO, 1993; Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989
<i>Phytophthora cryptogea</i> Pethybr. & Lafferty (Oomycetes: Peronosporales)	FR,US	a,o	FAO, 1993; Stamps, 1978
<i>Phytophthora infestans</i> (Mont.) de Bary (Oomycetes: Peronosporales)	FR,US	c,o	Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989; Jones <i>et al.</i> , 1991; Damiodaux and Laterrot, 1988
<i>Phytophthora nicotianae</i> Breda de Haan var. <i>parasitica</i> (Dastur) G.M. Waterhouse (Oomycetes: Peronosporales)	FR,US	c,o,z _u	FAO, 1993; Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989

<i>Pyrenopeziza lycopersici</i> R. Schneider & Gerlach (Fungi Imperfecti: Coelomycetes)	Europe,US	o	Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989; Jones <i>et al.</i> , 1991; Lemaire <i>et al.</i> , 1988
<i>Pythium aphanidermatum</i> (Edson) Fitzp. (Oomycetes: Peronosporales)	FR,US	c,o	Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989; Jones <i>et al.</i> , 1991
<i>Pythium arrhenomanes</i> Drechs. (Oomycetes: Peronosporales)	FR,US	o	Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989; Jones <i>et al.</i> , 1991; Messiaen <i>et al.</i> , 1980
<i>Pythium debaryanum</i> R. Hesse. (Oomycetes: Peronosporales)	FR,US	c,o	Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989; Jones <i>et al.</i> , 1991; Grouet, 1971
<i>Pythium ultimum</i> Trow (Oomycetes: Peronosporales)	FR,US	c,o	Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989; Jones <i>et al.</i> , 1991; Lebrun and Viard, 1979
<i>Rhizoctonia solani</i> Kuhn (Fungi Imperfecti: Agonomycetes)	FR,US	c,o	Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989; Jones <i>et al.</i> , 1991; Vidalie <i>et al.</i> , 1980
<i>Sclerotinia sclerotiorum</i> (Lib.) de Bary (Discomycetes: Helotiales)	FR,US	c,o	Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989; Jones <i>et al.</i> , 1991; Messiaen <i>et al.</i> , 1976
<i>Sclerotium rolfsii</i> Sacc. (Fungi Imperfecti: Agonomycetes)	FR,US	c,o	Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989; Jones <i>et al.</i> , 1991; Bedi <i>et al.</i> , 1990
<i>Septoria lycopersici</i> Speg. (Fungi Imperfecti: Coelomycetes)	FR,US	a,e,o	Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989; Jones <i>et al.</i> , 1991
<i>Stemphylium botryosum</i> Wallr. (Fungi Imperfecti: Hyphomycetes)	FR,US	o	Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989
<i>Stemphylium solani</i> G.F. Weber (Fungi Imperfecti: Hyphomycetes)	FR,US	o	Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989
<i>Synchytrium endobioticum</i> (Schilbersky) Percival (Chytridiomycetes: Chytridiales)	FR	a,e	FAO, 1993; Weiss and Brierley 1928; Weiss and Orton, 1923
<i>Thielaviopsis basicola</i> (Berk. & Broome) Ferraris (Fungi Imperfecti: Hyphomycetes)	FR,US	c,o	Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989; Jones <i>et al.</i> , 1991; Anon., 1983
<i>Verticillium albo-atrum</i> Reinke & Berthier (Fungi Imperfecti: Hyphomycetes)	FR,US	a,c,o	EPPO, 1996; Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989; Guerrier <i>et al.</i> , 1985
<i>Verticillium dahliae</i> Kleb. (Fungi Imperfecti: Hyphomycetes)	FR,US	a,c,o	Farr <i>et al.</i> , 1989; Jones <i>et al.</i> , 1991; Beye & Lafay, 1988

Bacteria			
<i>Agrobacterium rhizogenes</i> (Riker, et al.) Conn	FR,US	a,c,o	Bradbury, 1986
<i>Agrobacterium tumefaciens</i> (Smith & Townsend) Conn	FR,US	a,c,o	Bradbury, 1986
<i>Clavibacter michiganensis</i> subsp. <i>michiganensis</i> (Smith) Davis, Gillaspie, Vidaver & Harris	FR,US	o,z _{si}	Bradbury, 1986; Jones et al., 1991
<i>Erwinia carotovora</i> subsp. <i>atroseptica</i> (van Hall) Dye	FR,US	a,o	Bradbury, 1986
<i>Erwinia carotovora</i> subsp. <i>carotovora</i> (Jones) Bergey et al.	FR,US	a,o	Bradbury, 1986; Jones et al., 1991
<i>Erwinia chrysanthemi</i> pv. <i>dianthicola</i> (Hellmers) Dickey	FR,US	a,o	Bradbury, 1986
<i>Erwinia rhamontici</i> (Millard) Burkholder	FR,US	a,o	Bradbury, 1986
<i>Pseudomonas cepacia</i> (ex Burkholder) Palleroni & Holmes	FR,US	o	Bradbury, 1986
<i>Pseudomonas marginalis</i> pv. <i>marginalis</i> (Brown) Stevens	FR,US	a,o	Bradbury, 1986
<i>Pseudomonas solanacearum</i> (Smith) Smith	FR,US	c,o	Bradbury, 1986; Jones et al., 1991
<i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> pv. <i>syringae</i> van Hall	FR,US	c,o	Bradbury, 1986; Jones et al., 1991
<i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> pv. <i>tabaci</i> (Wolf & Foster)	FR,US	c,o	Bradbury, 1986
<i>Pseudomonas syringae</i> pv. <i>tomato</i> (Okabe) Young	FR,US	c,o	Bradbury, 1986; Jones et al., 1991
<i>Pseudomonas viridisflava</i> (Burkholder) Dowson	FR,US	o	Bradbury, 1986
<i>Rhodococcus fascians</i> (Tilford) Goodfellow	FR,US	o	Bradbury, 1986
<i>Xanthomonas campestris</i> pv. <i>vesicatoria</i> (Doidge) Dye	FR,US	c,o	Bradbury, 1986; Jones et al., 1991
Viruses			
Alfalfa mosaic virus	FR,US	o	Jones et al., 1991
Cucumber mosaic virus	FR,US	o	Jones et al., 1991
Potato leafroll virus	FR,US	o	Jones et al., 1991
Potato virus Y	FR,US	o	Jones et al., 1991
Tomato black ring virus	FR,US	o	Brunt et al., 1996; Hemmer et al., 1984
Tomato bushy stunt virus	FR,US	o	Brunt et al., 1996; Jones et al., 1991
Tomato mosaic virus	FR,US	o	Jones et al., 1991
Tomato spotted wilt virus	FR,US	o	Jones et al., 1991; Trottin-Caudal et al., 1987
Tomato vein-yellowing strain of eggplant mottle dwarf virus	FR	d	Brunt et al., 1996; Gebre-Selassie, 1988
Phytoplasmas			

Stolbur	FR	d	Cousins & Moreau, 1977
Arthropods			
<i>Acherontia atropos</i> L. (Lepidoptera: Sphingidae)	FR	a	Carter, 1984; Leraut, 1980
<i>Aculops lycopersici</i> (Tryon) (Acari: Eriophyidae)	FR,US	o,e	Baker, <i>et al.</i> 1966; EPPO, 1995; FAO, 1993; Univ of Calif., 1990
<i>Aedia leucomelas</i> L. (Lepidoptera: Noctuidae)	FR	a	Zhang, 1994
<i>Agriotes lineatus</i> (L.) (Lepidoptera: Elateridae)	FR	e	USDA, 1970s
<i>Agrotis ipsilon</i> Hufnagel (Lepidoptera: Nocutidae)	Europe,US	a,c,o	Carter, 1984; Univ. of Calif., 1990
<i>Agrotis segetum</i> Denis & Schiffermuller (Lepidoptera: Nocutidae)	Europe	a	Carter, 1984
<i>Aphis craccivora</i> Koch (Homoptera: Aphididae)	FR,US	c,o,y	Blackman and Eastop, 1984
<i>Aphis fabae</i> Scopoli (Homoptera: Aphididae)	FR,US	c,o,y	Blackman and Eastop, 1984
<i>Aphis gossypii</i> Glover (Homoptera: Aphididae)	FR,US	a,c,o,y	Blackman and Eastop, 1984; Trottin-Caudal, 1994;
<i>Aulacorthum solani</i> (Kaltenbach) (Homoptera: Aphididae)	FR,US	c,o,y	Blackman and Eastop, 1984
<i>Autographa gamma</i> L. (Lepidoptera: Nocutidae)	FR	a	Carter, 1984
<i>Bemisia tabaci</i> (Gennadius) (Homoptera: Aleyrodidae)	FR,US	a,c,o	EPPO, 1995; FAO, 1993
<i>Brevipalpus obovatus</i> Donnadeieu (Acari: Tenuipalpidae)	FR,US	a,o	DPI Files; Jeppson <i>et al.</i> , 1975
<i>Bryotropha (Gelechia) plebejella</i> (Zeller) (Lepidoptera: Gelechiidae)	So. FR	z _i	Leraut, 1980; Zhang, 1994
<i>Cacoecimorpha pronubana</i> Hubner (Lepidoptera: Tortricidae)	FR,OR,WA	a,g	Carter, 1984; EPPO, 1995; Passoa, 1997
<i>Ceratitis capitata</i> (Wiedemann) (Diptera: Tephritidae)	FR,US ³	z _i	BASS 1985; FAO, 1993; Liquido <i>et al.</i> , 1991
<i>Chrysodeixis chalcites</i> Esper (Lepidoptera: Noctuidae)	FR	a	Zhang, 1994
<i>Clepsis spectrana</i> Treitschke (Lepidoptera: Tortricidae)	FR,Most of Europe	a	Carter, 1984; Leraut, 1980
<i>Euxoa tritici</i> L. (Lepidoptera: Noctuidae)	Europe	a	Carter, 1984
<i>Euzophera osseatella</i> Treitschke (Lepidoptera: Pyralidae)	FR	a,e	Carter, 1984; Zhang, 1994
<i>Frankliniella occidentalis</i> (Pergande) (Thysanoptera: Thripidae)	FR,US	a,c,o,y	EPPO, 1995; FAO, 1993; Trottin-Caudal <i>et al.</i> , 1987; Univ. of Calif., 1990
<i>Frankliniella schultzei</i> (Trybom) (Thysanoptera: Thripidae)	FR	a,y	France, 1986

<i>Gortyna flavago</i> Denis & Schiffermuller (Lepidoptera: Noctuidae)	FR	a	Carter, 1984; Leraut, 1980
<i>Gymnoscelis rufifasciata</i> Haworth (Lepidoptera: Geometridae)	FR	a	Zhang, 1994
<i>Hauptidia macoccana</i> Melichar (Homoptera: Cicadellidae)	FR	a	Maisonneuve <i>et al.</i> , 1995; Quesne <i>et al.</i> , 1981
<i>Helicoverpa armigera</i> Hubner (Lepidoptera: Noctuidae)	FR	z _e	Carter, 1984; PNKTO; Poole, 1989a
<i>Heliothis peltigera</i> Denis & Schiffermuller (Lepidoptera: Noctuidae)	FR	z _e	Carter, 1984; Poole, 1989b; Zhang, 1994
<i>Heliothis viriplaca</i> Hufnagel (Lepidoptera: Noctuidae)	FR	ze	Oakley and Leonard, 1948; Poole, 1989c; Zhang, 1994
<i>Hepialus hipulimus</i> L. (Lepidoptera: Hepialidae)	FR	a	Carter, 1984; Leraut, 1980
<i>Hydraecia micacea</i> Esper (Lepidoptera: Noctuidae)	Europe	a,o	Carter, 1984; CPPR, 1980; Giebink <i>et al.</i> , 1984; Rings and Metzler, 1982
<i>Lacanobia (Mamestra) oleracea</i> L. (Lepidoptera: Noctuidae)	Europe	z _e	Carter, 1984; Hill, 1987
<i>Leptinotarsa decemlineata</i> Say (Coleoptera: Chrysomelidae)	FR,US	a,c,o	EPPO, 1995; FAO, 1993
<i>Liriomyza bryoniae</i> Kaltenbach (Diptera: Agromyzidae)	FR	a	EPPO, 1995; Spencer, 1973
<i>Liriomyza huidobrensis</i> (Blanchard) (Diptera: Agromyzidae)	FR,US(Limited)	a,g	France, 1985; Spencer, 1973;
<i>Liriomyza sativae</i> Blanchard (Diptera: Agromyzidae)	FR,US	a,c,o	France, 1985; Spencer, 1973
<i>Liriomyza strigata</i> Meigen (Diptera: Agromyzidae)	Western Europe	a	Spencer, 1973; Villevielle, 1987
<i>Liriomyza trifolii</i> (Burgess) (Diptera: Agromyzidae)	FR,US	a,c,o	EPPO, 1995; FAO, 1993; Univ. of Calif., 1990
<i>Loxostege sticticalis</i> L. (Lepidoptera: Pyralidae)	FR,US	a,c,o	Carter, 1984; Metcalf and Metcalf, 1993
<i>Macrosiphum euphorbiae</i> (Thomas) (Homoptera: Aphididae)	FR,US	a,c,o,y	Blackman and Eastop, 1984; Trottin-Caudal <i>et al.</i> , 1996
<i>Mamestra brassicae</i> L. (Lepidoptera: Noctuidae)	FR	a	Carter, 1984
<i>Myzus persicae</i> (Sulzer) (Homoptera: Aphididae)	FR,US	a,c,o	Blackman and Eastop, 1984; Trottin-Caudal and Millot, 1994
<i>Nezara viridula</i> L. (Hemiptera: Pentatomidae)	FR,US	a,o	CIE, 1970; Fullelove, 1992
<i>Noctua promuba</i> L. (Lepidoptera: Noctuidae)	FR,CT,ME,MD, MA,NY,NH,VT	a,o	Carter, 1984; Passoa & Hollingsworth, 1996

<i>Ostrinia nubilalis</i> Hubner (Lepidoptera: Noctuidae)	FR,US	c,o,z	Carter, 1984; Metcalf & Metcalf, 1993
<i>Peridroma saucia</i> Hubner (Lepidoptera: Pyralidae)	FR,US	a,c,o	Carter, 1984; Zhang, 1994
<i>Phlogophora meticulosa</i> L. (Lepidoptera: Nocutidae)	FR	a	Carter, 1984; Zhang, 1984
<i>Phthorimaea operculella</i> Zeller (Lepidoptera: Gelechiidae)	FR,US	c,o,z	Carter, 1984; Metcalf & Metcalf, 1993
<i>Phytomyza (Chromatomyia) horticola</i> Goureau (Diptera: Agromyzidae);	FR	a	CIE, 1987; Spencer, 1973
<i>Spodoptera exigua</i> Hubner (Lepidoptera: Noctuidae)	FR,US	a,o	Carter, 1984; Metcalf and Metcalf, 1993
<i>Spodoptera littoralis</i> (Boisduval) (Lepidoptera: Noctuidae)	FR	z _e	Avidov and Harpaz, 1969; Leraut, 1980; USDA, 1982; Zhang, 1994
<i>Symnethrodes betae</i> Westwood (Homoptera: Aphididae)	FR,US	o	Blackman and Eastop, 1984
<i>Tetranychus ludeni</i> Zacker (Acari: Tetranychidae)	FR,US	a,o	Fullelove, 1982; Jeppson et al., 1975
<i>Tetranychus urticae</i> Koch (Acari: Tetranychidae)	FR,US	a,c,o	Fullelove, 1982; Jeppson et al., 1975
<i>Thrips tabaci</i> Lindeman (Thysanoptera: Thripidae)	FR,US	c,o,y	Grill, 1989; Smith et al., 1992; Univ. of Calif., 1990
<i>Trialeurodes vaporariorum</i> (Westwood) (Homoptera: Aleyrodidae)	FR,US	a,c,o	Malezieux et al., 1995; Metcalf and Metcalf, 1993
<i>Xestia c-nigrum</i> L. (Lepidoptera: Noctuidae)	FR,US	a,c,o	Carter, 1984; Franclemont, 1980; Zhang, 1994

¹ Distribution legend: FR = France; US = United States; CT = Connecticut; ME = Maine; MD = Maryland; MA = Massachusetts; NY = New York; NH = New Hampshire; OR = Oregon; VT = Vermont; WA = Washington;

² Comments:

- a = Pest mainly associated with a plant part other than the commodity.
- c = Listed in non-reportable dictionary as non-actionable.
- d = Commodity is unlikely to serve as inoculum source because vector is unknown or does not feed on commodity and/or seed transmission has not been reported.
- e = Although pest attacks commodity, it would not be expected to remain with the commodity during processing.
- g = Quarantine pest: pest has limited distribution in U.S. and is under official control as follows: pest listed by name in USDA's pest dictionary, official quarantine action may be taken on this pest when intercepted on this commodity.
- h = Quarantine pest: pest has limited distribution in the U.S. and is under official control as follows: (1) pest listed by name in USDA's pest dictionary, official quarantine action may be taken on this pest when intercepted on this commodity and, (2) pest is a program pest.
- o = Organism does not meet the geographic or regulatory definition of a quarantine pest.
- y = Pest is a vector of plant pathogens.
- z_e = External pest: is known to attack or infest *Lycopersicon* spp. fruits and it would be reasonable to expect the pest may remain with the commodity during processing and shipping.
- z_i = Internal pest: is known to attack or infest *Lycopersicon* spp. and it would be reasonable to expect the pest may remain with the commodity during processing and shipping.

³*Ceratitis capitata* has been detected in the United States on several occasions. Whenever *C. capitata* is detected, a quarantine is established and an eradication program is implemented. *C. capitata* is considered to be a quarantine pest.

5. List of Quarantine Pests

The list of quarantine pests for commercial shipments of tomatoes from France is provided in Table 3. Should any of these pests be intercepted on commercial (or any other) shipments of *Lycopersicon esculentum*, quarantine action may be taken.

Table 3: Quarantine Pests:

Pathogens	<i>Synchytrium endobioticum</i>
Arthropods	<i>Acherotia atropos</i> <i>Aedia leuc omelas</i> <i>Agriotes lineatus</i> <i>Agrotis segetum</i> <i>Autographa gamma</i> <i>Bryotrophaphyton plebejella</i> <i>Cacoecimorpha pronubana</i> <i>Ceratitis capitata</i> <i>Chrysodeixis chalcites</i> <i>Clepsis spectrana</i> <i>Euxoa tritici</i> <i>Frankliniella schultzei</i> <i>Gortyna flavago</i> <i>Gymnoscelis rufifasciata</i> <i>Hauptidia macoccana</i> <i>Helicoverpa armigera</i> <i>Heliothis peltigera</i> <i>Heliothis viresplaca</i> <i>Hepialus lupulinus</i> <i>Lacanobia oleracea</i> <i>Liriomyza bryoniae</i> <i>Liriomyza huidobrensis</i> <i>Liriomyza strigata</i> <i>Mamestra brassicae</i> <i>Phlogophora meticulosa</i> <i>Phytomyza horticola</i> <i>Spodoptera littoralis</i>

6. Quarantine Pests Likely to Follow Pathway (i.e., Quarantine Pests Selected for Further Analysis)

Only those quarantine pests that can reasonably be expected to follow the pathway, *i. e.*, be included in commercial shipments of *Lycopersicon esculentum*, were analyzed in detail (see USDA, 1995 for selection criteria). Only quarantine pests listed in Table 4 were selected for further analysis and subjected to steps 7-9 below.

Table 4: Quarantine Pest Selected for Further Analysis:

Arthropods	<i>Bryotropha plebejella</i> <i>Ceratitis capitata</i> <i>Helicoverpa armigera</i> <i>Heliothis peltigera</i> <i>Heliothis viresplaca</i> <i>Lacanobia oleracea</i> <i>Spodoptera littoralis</i>
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Other plant pests in this Assessment, not chosen for further scrutiny, may be potentially detrimental to the agricultural production systems of the United States; however, there were a variety of reasons for not subjecting them to further analysis. For example, they are associated mainly with plant parts other than the commodity; they may be associated with the commodity (however, it was not considered reasonable to expect these pests to remain with the commodity during processing); they have been intercepted as biological contaminants, by Plant Protection and Quarantine Officers, during inspections of these commodities but would not be expected to be moved with every shipment. In addition, the biological hazard of organisms identified only to the generic level are not assessed due to the lack of adequate biological/taxonomic information. This lack of biological information on any given insect or pathogen should not be equated with low risk. By necessity, pest risk assessments focus on those organisms for which biological information is available. By developing detailed assessments for known pests that inhabit a variety of niches on the parent species, *i.e.* on the surface of or within the bark/wood, on the foliage, etc., effective mitigation measures can be developed to eliminate the known organism and any similar unknown ones that inhabit the same niches.

7. Economic Importance: Consequences of Introduction

The consequences of introduction was considered for each quarantine pest selected for further analysis. For qualitative, pathway-initiated pest risk assessments, these risks are estimated by rating each pest with respect to five risk elements. A full description of these elements and rating criteria can be found in USDA (1995). Table 5 shows the risk ratings for these risk elements.

Table 5: Risk Rating: Consequences of Introduction						
Pest	Climate/ Host	Host Range	Dispersal	Economic	Environ- mental	Risk Rating
<i>Bryotropha plebejella</i>	medium	low	medium	low	medium	medium
<i>Ceratitis capitata</i>	high	high	high	high	high	high
<i>Helicoverpa armigera</i>	high	high	high	medium	medium	high
<i>Heliothis peltigera</i>	high	high	high	medium	medium	high
<i>Heliothis viriplaca</i>	high	high	high	medium	medium	high
<i>Lacanobia oleracea</i>	high	high	medium	medium	medium	high
<i>Spodoptera littoralis</i>	medium	high	high	medium	medium	high

8. Likelihood of Introduction

Each pest is rated with respect to introduction potential, *i.e.*, entry and establishment. Two separate components are considered. First, the amount of commodity likely to be imported is estimated. More imports lead to greater risk; the result is a risk rating that applies to the commodity and country in question and is the same for all quarantine pest considered. Second, five biological features, *i.e.*, risk elements, concerning the pest and its interactions with the commodity are considered. The resulting risk ratings are specific to each pest. The cumulative risk rating for introduction was considered to be an indicator of the likelihood that a particular pest would be introduced. A full description of these elements and rating criteria can be found in USDA (1995). Table 6 shows our ratings for these risk elements.

Table 6: Risk Rating: Likelihood of Introduction

Pest	Quantity of commodity imported annually	Likelihood survive postharvest treatment	Likelihood survive shipment	Likelihood not detected at port of entry	Likelihood moved to suitable habitat	Likelihood find suitable host	Risk rating
<i>Bryotropha plebejella</i>	medium	high	high	medium	high	low	high
<i>Ceratitis capitata</i>	medium	high	high	high	high	high	high
<i>Helicoverpa armigera</i>	medium	high	high	medium	high	high	high
<i>Heliothis peltigera</i>	medium	high	high	medium	high	high	high
<i>Heliothis viriplaca</i>	medium	high	high	medium	high	high	high
<i>Lacanobia oleracea</i>	medium	high	high	medium	medium	high	high
<i>Spodoptera littoralis</i>	medium	high	high	medium	high	high	high

9. Conclusion: Pest Risk Potential and Phytosanitary Measures

The measure of pest risk potential combines the risk ratings for consequences and likelihood of introduction as described in USDA (1995). The estimated pest risk potential for each quarantine pest selected for further analysis for the importation of *Lycopersicon esculentum* is provided in Table 7.

Table 7: Pest Risk Potential, Quarantine Pests, French Tomatoes

Pest	Pest risk potential
<i>Bryotropha plebejella</i>	high
<i>Ceratitis capitata</i>	high
<i>Helicoverpa armigera</i>	high
<i>Heliothis peltigera</i>	high
<i>Heliothis viriplaca</i>	high
<i>Lacanobia oleracea</i>	high
<i>Spodoptera littoralis</i>	high

Plant Pests with a high Pest Risk Potential may require specific phytosanitary measures. The choice of appropriate sanitary and phytosanitary measures to mitigate risks is undertaken as part of Risk Management and is not addressed, *per se*, in this document.

Bryotropha plebejella is reported to occur in southern France, there was no mention made of this insect during the last 49 years in the Review of Applied Entomology abstracts. Apparently its pest status has changed over the years..

PPQ has not intercepted any of the lepidopterous pests (with a high PRP) in commercial imports of tomatoes during the past 12 years. Each pest is capable of boring into the fruit and causing significant damage to the fruit, apparently pest management practices in commercial fields keeps the populations low and/or they are culled out during processing.

PPQ has 251 plant pest interceptions from tomato fruits from other areas; however, virtually all external pests listed could be detected by inspection. Some of these same pests occur in France, in addition to other quarantine pests, and have been intercepted as hitchhikers with other commodities. Should any of these pests be intercepted on commercial (or any other) shipments of *Lycopersicon esculentum*, quarantine action may be taken.

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