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Dear Professor Nicola Spence

Phytosanitary declaration for Neoleucinodes elegantalis (Guenée)

The subject matter bears reference:

Following proclamation of the Great Britain (GB) Requirements for Additional Declarations (ADs) on Phytosanitary Certificates (PCs), which evidently requires that PCs be issued for plants, plant products and other regulated imported material, indicating they are free from pests and diseases specified in Annexes 2 and 2A to GB's Phytosanitary Conditions Regulation (2019/2072), the National Plant Protection Organisation (NPPO) of South Africa hereby wishes to declare that *Neoleucinodes elegantalis* (Guenée) is not known to occur in South Africa (https://www.cabidigitallibrary.org/doi/10.1079/cabicompendium.36117).

Additionally, the NPPO of South Africa would like to request the NPPO of GB to consider releasing consignments of *Capsicum annuum* and/or other hosts of this pest that may currently be detained in GB.

REFERENCES

https://www.cabidigitallibrary.org/doi/10.1079/cabicompendium.36117 [Accessed on line 2024/02/12].

We look forward to our continued collaboration in safe trade.

Regards,

Mr. JanHendrik Venter Director: Plant Health Date: 2024-02-13