NAME OF THE ORGANISM: Candidatus Phytoplasma australiense (Strawberry green petal phytoplasmas) (PHYPAU)

GENERAL INFORMATION ON THE PEST

Name as submitted in the project specification (if different to the preferred name):

Strawberry green petal phytoplasmas
Pest category:

Bacteria

Remarks:

Instead of listing Stolbur as strawberry lethal decline, and the Strawberry green petal phytoplasmas, the Fruit SEWG proposed to discard all names of phytoplasma listed in the EU Marketing Directive and to add all phytoplasma species reported from naturally infected Strawberry plants. This would consist in the listing of ‘Candidatus Phytoplasma asteris’ [aster yellows phytoplasma], ‘Candidatus Phytoplasma pruni’, ‘Candidatus Phytoplasma solani’, ‘Candidatus Phytoplasma australiense’, ‘Candidatus Phytoplasma fragariae’ and the Clover phyllody phytoplasma. All these phytoplasma are causing leaf yellowing symptoms, but just some of them are responsible for green petal symptoms (this includes the Clover phyllody phytoplasma and ‘Candidatus Phytoplasma australiense’).

HOST PLANT N°1: Fragaria (1FRAG) for the Fruits (including hops) sector.

**CONCLUSION ON THE STATUS:**

Not evaluated: from the fruit Marketing Directive (see Terms of reference)