



I assent,

GEORGE TUPOU V,

2nd March, 2010.

## AN ACT

### TO AMEND THE PLANT QUARANTINE ACT

[29th October, 2009].

**BE IT ENACTED** by the King and Legislative Assembly of Tonga in the Legislature of the Kingdom as follows:

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the Plant Quarantine (Amendment) Act 2009.  
(2) The Plant Quarantine Act (Cap. 127) shall be referred to in this Act, as the Principal Act.

2. Section 2 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting the following new definitions in the appropriate places:

““National Biosafety Advisory Committee” means the National Biosafety Advisory Committee established under section 5 of the Biosafety Act;” and

““living modified organism” has the same meaning as under the Biosafety Act;”.

3. The Principal Act is amended by inserting the following as section 40A:

#### **“40A Decisions relating to living modified organisms**

All permits, certificates, authorisations, controls, requirements and prohibitions applied or imposed under this Act and relating to living modified organisms, shall be issued or imposed in accordance with the Biosafety Act and any applicable decision of the National Biosafety Advisory Committee.”.

Passed in the Legislative Assembly this 29 day of October 2009.