

Resolution No. 1 Request for National Survey of Honeybee Diseases and Pests

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World trade is increasing, and therefore the threat of the introduction of new pests and diseases of honeybees is also increasing.

At this present time, new regulations are being established for the importation of honeybees and related articles.

It is therefore important that USDA/APHIS has data of the current status and risks of honeybee diseases and pests available so that informed decisions may be made regarding future import requests.

Be it resolved that the Apiary Inspectors of America requests that USDA/APHIS provide a mechanism similar to the Cooperative Agricultural Pest Survey (CAPS) for the purpose of establishing an ongoing, coordinated, nationwide survey to document the presence and/or absence of pests and pathogens which affect honeybees.

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