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Whether the Caribbean is your home or you are just visiting, there is no question that this is a beautiful place, with a wealth of plant and animal life both on the land and in the sea.





But our countries are **under threat** from  
**Invasive Alien Species**



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They sneak past our borders hitchhiking on food, animals, animal products as well as plants and plant products.

Things that you might be carrying in your luggage, or on your clothes and shoes.





Once they arrive, they  
wreak havoc on our plant  
and animal life, and  
even our health!

That is bad news for  
us, since we depend  
directly on our  
natural resources and  
healthy ecosystems  
for our livelihoods –  
in agriculture,  
fisheries, trade  
and tourism.





Once Alien Invasive Species get a foothold in one country, it is only a matter of time before they spread to our neighbours.





The best way to deal with these dangerous pests and diseases is to stop them at the border and you can join in this battle to keep them out!



Start by leaving  
at home all of  
the food that  
your relatives  
and friends asked  
you to bring.

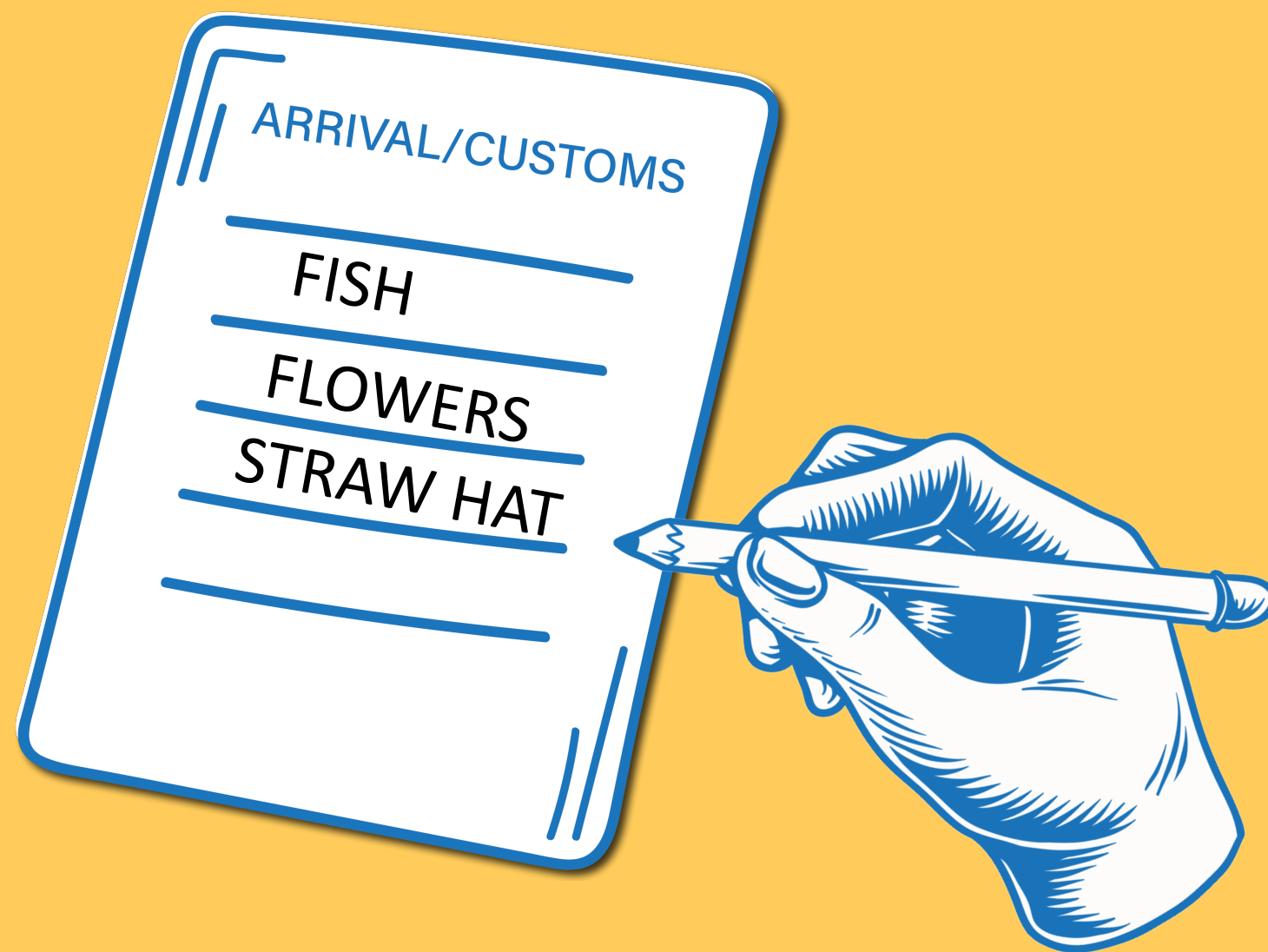
They might enjoy  
the mangoes,  
peppers and  
honey but it  
is not worth  
the risk.



If you are carrying  
plant and animal  
products, then  
declare them on the  
arrival/customs form.

If you are not sure,  
declare them anyway.

The quarantine officer  
will advise you on  
what you can carry  
into the country.



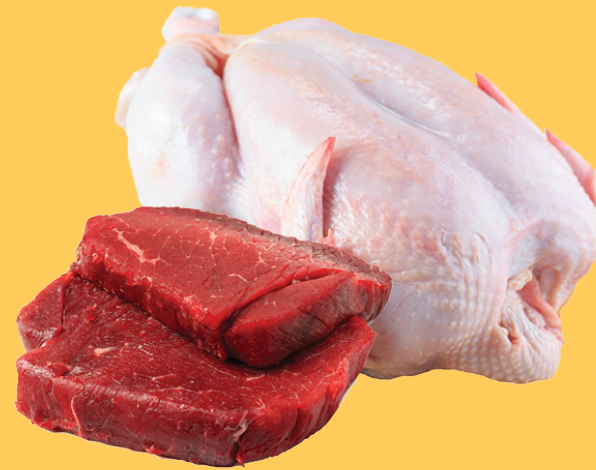


Declare things  
like plants,  
flowers, plant  
cuttings, seeds,  
pods, bulbs,  
fruit, nuts,  
flowers, bark,  
leaves and  
vegetables.





**Declare all  
animal products  
including  
meat,  
dairy products,  
fish, eggs and  
bee products  
– including honey.**



You should also  
declare craft  
products and  
souvenirs made from  
natural material like  
wood, leaves,  
bamboo, cane,  
rattan, coconut,  
natural fibres,  
feathers, shells,  
animal hides and  
bones.



Once you are in the terminal, deposit any items you are not sure about in the marked biosecure bins – like your uneaten sandwiches, salads and fruit that you packed or were given aboard the vessel.

Remember, all food you are served on board must either be consumed or deposited in the bins.





If you fail to do  
this we ALL pay  
a heavy price  
in consequences  
to our natural  
resources, healthy  
ecosystems,  
human health and  
our livelihoods.





Join us in keeping  
our countries safe  
from these alien  
invasive species.

Your vigilance  
matters!

We can all  
help to save  
our species!



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