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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	<b>Notifying Member:</b> <u>PHILIPPINES</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Department of Agriculture (DA), Bureau of Agriculture and Fisheries Standards (BAFS)
3.	<b>Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> HS Code(s): 03
4.	<b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> Draft Philippine National Standard for Pasteurized Crab Meat <b>Language(s):</b> English <b>Number of pages:</b> 11 <a href="http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2015/SPS/PHL/15_4669_00_e.pdf">http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2015/SPS/PHL/15_4669_00_e.pdf</a>
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> This standard applies to crab meat obtained from blue swimming crab ( <i>Portunus pelagicus</i> ) locally known as "alimasag" that has been cooked, pasteurized and chilled, intended for consumption with or without cooking and for further processing.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	<b>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission ( <i>e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text</i> ) CAC/RCP 1-1969, Rev. 4-2003 <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) ( <i>e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number</i> ) <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention ( <i>e.g. ISPM number</i> ) <input type="checkbox"/> None <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b>
9.	<b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b>

10.	<p><b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> 5 February 2016</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> 11 January 2016</p>
11.	<p><b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 5 February 2016</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p><b>Final date for comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 February 2016</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Office of the Director Policy Research Service Department of Agriculture Elliptical Road, Diliman Quezon City Tel: +(632) 926 7439 Fax: +(632) 928 0590 E-mail: spspilipinas@da.gov.ph</p> <p>or</p> <p>Bureau of Agriculture and Fisheries Standards BPI Compound, Visayas Avenue, Diliman Quezon City Tel: +(632) 455 0031       +(632) 455 2858       +(632) 455 2856 Fax: +(632) 455 0031 E-mail: bafs@da.gov.ph Website: <a href="http://bafs.da.gov.ph">http://bafs.da.gov.ph</a></p>
13.	<p><b>Text(s) available from:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Office of the Director Policy Research Service Department of Agriculture Elliptical Road, Diliman Quezon City Tel: +(632) 926 7439 Fax: +(632) 928 0590 E-mail: spspilipinas@da.gov.ph</p> <p>or</p> <p>Bureau of Agriculture and Fisheries Standards BPI Compound, Visayas Avenue, Diliman Quezon City Tel: +(632) 455 0031       +(632) 455 2858       +(632) 455 2856 Fax: +(632) 455 0031 E-mail: bafs@da.gov.ph Website: <a href="http://bafs.da.gov.ph">http://bafs.da.gov.ph</a></p>