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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1. Notifying Member: <u>PHILIPPINES</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Department of Agriculture
3. 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): Processed porcine animal proteins originating from African Swine Fever (ASF)-infected countries
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries: Belgium; Bulgaria; Cambodia; China; Hungary; Latvia; Moldova, Republic of; Poland; Romania; Russian Federation; Ukraine; Viet Nam
5. Title of the notified document: Department of Agriculture Memorandum Order No. 6 series of 2019, "Temporary Ban on the Importation of Processed Porcine Animal Proteins Originating from African Swine Fever (ASF)-infected Countries". Language(s): English. Number of pages: 1 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/PHL/19_2456_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: The Order bans the importation of processed porcine/pork meal for animal feed use and immediately suspends the issuance of Sanitary/Phytosanitary Import Clearance (SPS-IC) for the said commodities. All shipments of the aforementioned goods into the country will be confiscated by Department of Agriculture (DA) Veterinary Quarantine Officers/Inspectors at all major ports.
7. Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" 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. Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action: The DA has issued several memoranda banning the importation of domestic and wild pigs and its products from ASF-infected countries. Evidence supports consumption of contaminated feed is a possible transmission route of ASF virus to domestic pigs, and there is a need to prevent the entry of ASF virus into the Philippines through animal feeds of porcine origin to protect the health of the local swine population.
9. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): Chapter 15.1 of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code 2018

<p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
<p>10. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p>
<p>11. Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable): 8 March 2019</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <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@gmail.com</p> <p>or</p> <p>National Veterinary Quarantine Services Bureau of Animal Industry Visayas Avenue, Diliman Quezon City Tel: +(632) 920 0815 Fax: +(632) 920 0916 E-mail: nvqs_bai@yahoo.com quarantine_bai@yahoo.com</p>
<p>13. Text(s) available from: <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@gmail.com</p> <p>or</p> <p>National Veterinary Quarantine Services Bureau of Animal Industry Visayas Avenue, Diliman Quezon City Tel: +(632) 920 0815 Fax: +(632) 920 0916 E-mail: nvqs_bai@yahoo.com quarantine_bai@yahoo.com</p>