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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): Food wastes from ships
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Department of Agriculture Memorandum Circular No. 13 Series of 2019, Prohibition of Unloading of Food Wastes from Ships. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 1 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/PHL/19_6414_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: The Circular prohibits the unloading of food wastes from ships and directs Veterinary Quarantine Officers at various Veterinary Quarantine Stations to monitor that no food wastes are unloaded.
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 introduction of transboundary animal diseases such as Foot-and-Mouth Disease (FMD) and African Swine Fever through feeding of food wastes from ships can lead to severe economic impact, in particular the Php260B pig industry.
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): Chapters 1.1, 4.3, 15.1 and Article 15.1.22 of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code 2018 <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:	
10.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
11.	Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable): 26 September 2019 <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure
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: 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 Website: http://spsissuances.da.gov.ph/ or 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
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