NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Philippines**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):** Beef trimmings |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:****[ ]** **All trading partners** **[****X] Specific regions or countries:** Brazil |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** DA Memorandum Circular 8, series of 2018 Importation of Beef Trimmings from Brazil Excluding the Meat from the Head and Neck. **Language(s):**English. **Number of pages:** 1<https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/PHL/18_4674_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Order provides that beef trimmings to be imported into the Philippines should exclude meat from the head and neck. The definition for beef trimmings has been clarified by Brazil with the Health Certificate agreed on 4 June 2018. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [****X] food safety, [ ]****animal health, [ ]****plant protection, [ ]****protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ]****protect territory from other damage from pests.**  |
| **8.** | **Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:****[ ]** **Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:****[ ]** **World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:** **[ ]** **International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:** **[****X] None****Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?** **[ ]** **Yes [ ]** **No****If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:**  |
| **9.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:**   |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 10 July 2018**Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** Not applicable. |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** 10 July 2018**[****X] Trade facilitating measure**  |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [ ]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** Not applicable.**Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [****X] National Notification Authority, [****X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:** Office of the DirectorPolicy Research ServiceDepartment of AgricultureElliptical Road, Diliman,Quezon CityTel: +(632) 926 7439Fax: +(632) 928 0590E-mail: spspilipinas@da.gov.phorNational Veterinary Quarantine ServicesBureau of Animal IndustryVisayas Avenue, DilimanQuezon CityTel: +(632) 920 0815Fax: +(632) 920 0916E-mail: nvqs\_bai@yahoo.com quarantine\_bai@yahoo.com |
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