NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

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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):** 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:**  **[ ]** **All trading partners**  **[****X] 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 fee 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: [ ]****food safety, [****X] animal health, [ ]****plant protection, [ ]****protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ]****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:**  **[ ]** **Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:**  **[****X] 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  **[ ]** **International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:**  **[ ]** **None**  **Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?**  **[****X] Yes [ ]** **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):** 8 March 2019  **[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure** |
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