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):** Domestic and wild pigs and their products including pork meat, pig skin and semen |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:****[ ]** **All trading partners** **[****X] Specific regions or countries:** Hong Kong, China |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Department of Agriculture Memorandum Order No. 12 "Temporary Ban on the Importation of Domestic and Wild Pigs and their Products Inlcuding Pork Meat, Pig Skin and Semen Originating from Hong Kong". **Language(s):** English . **Number of pages:** 1<https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/PHL/19_3355_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Order bans the importation of domestic and wild pigs and their products from Hong Kong, China and immediately suspends the processing, evaluation of the application and issuance of Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) import clearance of the aforementioned goods. All shipments of the said commodities into the country will be stopped and confiscated by DA Veterinary Quarantine Officers/Inspectors at all major ports. Importation of feed ingredients or porcine origin is subject to the conditions provided in Article 15.1.22 of the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code, 2018. |
| **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:** Based on the official report submitted by Dr Thomas Sit, Chief Veterinary Officer/Assistant Director (Inspection and Quarantine), Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government, Hong Kong, Hong Kong (SAR-PRC) to the World Health Organisation for Animal Health (OIE), there was a case of African Swine Fever (ASF) in Hong Kong, China (Sheung Shui Slaughterhouse, New Territories) affecting swine as confirmed by Tai Lung Veterinary Laboratory, Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department (National laboratory). |
| **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)*:** Chapters 1.1, 4.3, 15.1 and Article 15.1.22 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):** 14 May 2019**[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure**  |
| **12.** | **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, DilimanQuezon CityTel: +(632) 926 7439Fax: +(632) 928 0590E-mail: spspilipinas@gmail.com orNational Veterinary Quarantine ServicesBureau of Animal IndustryVisayas Avenue, DilimanQuezon CityTel: +(632) 920 0815Fax: +(632) 920 0916E-mail: nvqs\_bai@yahoo.comquarantine\_bai@yahoo.com |
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