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):** HS code: 0105 - Live poultry, "fowls of the species Gallus domesticus, ducks, geese, turkeys and guinea fowls"; HS code: 0207 - Meat and edible offal of fowls of the species Gallus domesticus, ducks, geese, turkeys and guinea fowls, fresh, chilled or frozen; HS code: 0407 - Birds' eggs, in shell, fresh, preserved or cooked; HS code: 04071 - Fertilized eggs for incubation; HS code: 04072 - Other fresh eggs; HS code: 040790 - Birds' eggs, in shell, preserved or cooked; HS code: 05119 - Other |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[****] All trading partners**  **[****X] Specific regions or countries:** Belgium |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Department of Agriculture Memorandum Order No. 14 Series of 2023, "Temporary Ban on the Importation of Domestic and Wild Birds and their Products including Poultry Meat, Day-Old Chicks, Eggs, and Semen originating from Belgium". **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 2  [https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/PHL/23\_1096\_00\_e.pdf](https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/PHL/23_1096_00_e.pdf" \t "_blank) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Order, signed on 8 February 2023, bans the importation of domestic and wild birds and their products, including poultry meat, day-old chicks, eggs, and semen. It also immediately suspends the processing, evaluation of the application and issuance of SPS import clearance for the said commodities. All shipments coming from Belgium that are IN TRANSIT/LOADED/ACCEPTED UNTO PORT before the official communication of this Order to the Belgian Authorities shall be allowed provided that the products were slaughtered/produced on or before 10 January 2023. Shipments which have not complied with the conditions set forth in Item 3 shall be dealt with as per DA AO 9 s. 2010 Section VII.D. |
| **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 the Director General of the Animal and Plant Health Policy by Federal Public Service - Health, Food Chain Safety, and Environment, Brussels to the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH) on 26 January 2022, an outbreak of H5N1 High Pathogenic Avian Influenza have been confirmed by the Sciensano (National Laboratory) affecting domestic birds in Wervik, West-Vlaanderen. |
| **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 10.4 of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code (2021)  **[****] 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):** Immediately.  **[****] 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 Director  Policy Research Service  Department of Agriculture  Elliptical Road, Diliman  Tel: +(632) 926 7439  Fax: +(632) 928 0590  E-mail: [spspilipinas@da.gov.ph](mailto:spspilipinas@da.gov.ph) |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [****X] National Notification Authority, [****X] 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  Tel: +(632) 926 7439  Fax: +(632) 928 0590  E-mail: [spspilipinas@da.gov.ph](mailto:spspilipinas@da.gov.ph) |