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):** Live cattle, meat and meat products and bovine processed animal proteins, including semen derived from cattle (HS code(s): 0102, 0201, 0202, 020610, 021020, 051110, 160250) |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[****] All trading partners**  **[****X] Specific regions or countries:** Spain |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Department of Agriculture Memorandum Order No. 21 Series of 2023: Temporary Ban on the Importation of Live Cattle, Meat, and Meat Products, Bovine Processed Animal Proteins, and Semen Derived from Cattle Originating in Spain. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 4  [https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/PHL/23\_1966\_00\_e.pdf](https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/PHL/23_1966_00_e.pdf" \t "_blank) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Order, signed on 6 March 2023, institutes the following measures for the importation of domestic and wild pigs and their products from Spain:   1. Banning the importation of live animal, meat, meat products, meat by-products, including bovine processed animal protein and semen; 2. Immediate suspension of the processing, evaluation of the application and issuance of Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) import clearance to the aforementioned commodities; 3. Allowing all shipments coming from Spain that are IN TRANSIT/LOADED/ACCEPTED UNTO PORT before the official communication of this Order to the Spanish Authorities provided that the products were slaughtered/produced on or before 21 December 2022; 4. Application of DA Administrative Order 9 series of 2010, Section VII.D for shipments with ship out date after the communication of this Order to the Spanish Authorities; and 5. More rigorous and tight inspection on all arrivals of meat and meat by-products derived from cattle including live animals and bovine processed animal proteins by DA Veterinary Quarantine Officers assigned at ports of entry. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [****X] 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 Chief Veterinary Officer of the Ministerio de Agricultura, Pesca y Alimentación, Madrid, Spain to the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH) on 21 January 2023, they have reported that there was an outbreak of Atypical Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (H-type) in Pontevedra, Galicia affecting domestic and meat by-products including bovine processed animal proteins and semen originating from the Spain. |
| **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 11.4 of the OIE Terrestrial Code  **[****] 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) |