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**Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures** 

## NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

- 1. Notifying Member: PHILIPPINES

  If applicable, name of local government involved:
- 2. Agency responsible: Department of Agriculture (DA), Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI)
- 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 poultry (HS Code: 0105); day-old chicks (HS Code: 0105.11); eggs (HS Code: 0407); and semen (HS Code: 0511.99)
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
  - [] All trading partners
  - [X] Specific regions or countries: Landkreis Greiz, commune Mohlsdorf (Thuringia), Germany
- **Title of the notified document:** DA Memorandum Order No. 40, Series of 2013, Temporary ban on the importation of domestic and wild birds including day-old chicks, eggs and semen originating from Landkreis Greiz, commune Mohlsdorf (Thuringia), Germany. Language(s): English Number of pages: 1

http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2014/SPS/PHL/14\_0078\_00\_e.pdf

- **6. Description of content:** The Philippines is imposing a temporary ban on the importation of domestic and wild birds, including day-old chicks, eggs and semen originating from Landkreis Greiz, commune Mohlsdorf (Thuringia), Germany.
- 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: An outbreak of low pathogenic avian influenza (LPAI) of subtype H5 was confirmed in a holding, keeping around 830 birds of several poultry species as reported to the European Commission, Health and Consumers Directorate-General last 15 November 2013. The Philippines is instituting this emergency measure to prevent the entry of the LPAI virus to protect the health of the local poultry 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 10.4 of the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code of 2012
	[]	International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number)
	[]	None
	Does	this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? [X] Yes [] No
	inter	If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the national 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): 19 November 2013	
	[]	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 Quezon City Tel: +(632) 926 7439 Fax: +(632) 928 0590 E-mail: spspilipinas@da.gov.ph	
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13. Texts available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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