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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

- 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): Domestic and wild birds and their products including poultry meat, day old chicks, eggs and semen
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [] All trading partners
 - [X] Specific regions or countries: Germany
- **Title of the notified document:** Department of Agriculture (DA) Memorandum Order (MO) No. 31, Temporary Ban on the Importation of Domestic and Wild Birds and their Products Including Poultry Meat, Day Old Chicks, Eggs and Semen Originating From Germany. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 1

http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/SPS/PHL/16 5268 00 e.pdf

- **6. Description of content:** This order provides the rationale and the conditions in instituting this emergency measure imposing a temporary ban on the importation of poultry and poultry products from 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: Based on the official reports submitted by Dr Karin Schwabenbauer, Ministerial Dirigentin and Chief Veterinary Officer, Directorate of Animal Health, Animal Welfare, Bundesministerium fur Ernährung und Landwirtschaft (BMEL), Bonn, Germany to the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) on 11 and 14 November 2016 that there were outbreaks of H5N8 Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) virus in Mecklenburg-Vorpommern and Schleswig-Holstein, Germany affecting chicken, duck and turkey farms as confirmed by the Friedrich-Leoffler Institute (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): Articles 10.4.19, 10.4.20 and 10.4.26 of the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code 2015
 - [] 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): 22 November 2016
 - [] 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:

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