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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>PHILIPPINES</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Animal Industry
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): Dogs and cats to be imported
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
	[X] All trading partners
	[] Specific regions or countries:
5.	Title of the notified document: Department of Agriculture Memorandum Circular No. 09, Series of 2018, Required Identification of Imported Dogs and Cats. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 1
	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/PHL/18 2355 00 e.pdf
6.	Description of content: The circular reitierates DA Administrative Order No. 24, Series of 2004 which requires the mandatory identification of dogs and cats to be imported into the Philippines by Radio-Frequency Identification (RFID)/microchip.
7.	Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [X] animal health, [] plant protection, [X] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [X] protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	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):
	[] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):
	[] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
	[X] None
	Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?
	[]Yes []No
	If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:

10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 23 April 2018 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 23 April 2018 Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or 11. (dd/mm/yy): 1 June 2018 Trade facilitating measure Γ1 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 3 July 2018 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: Department of Agriculture (DA), Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI) 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 or National Veterinary Quarantine Services Bureau of Animal Industry Visayas Avenue, Diliman Quezon City Tel: +(632) 920 0815 Fax: +(632) 920 0916 E-mail: nvqs_bai@yahoo.com quarantine_bai@yahoo.com Text(s) available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry 13. Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Department of Agriculture (DA), Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI) 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 or National Veterinary Quarantine Services Bureau of Animal Industry Visayas Avenue, Diliman Quezon City Tel: +(632) 920 0815 Fax: +(632) 920 0916 E-mail: nvqs_bai@yahoo.com quarantine_bai@yahoo.com