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Report Name: Poultry MDM Tariffs Extended Through 2024

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Report Highlights:

On January 13, 2023, President Ferdinand R. Marcos, Jr. signed Executive Order (EO) 13, series of 2023, extending 5 percent tariffs for mechanically deboned or separated poultry (chicken and turkey) imports through December 31, 2024. The EO was published on January 20, 2023 and takes effect immediately.

President Ferdinand Marcos, Jr. signed [Executive Order 13](#) on January 13, 2023. The order states that Most Favored Nation (MFN) tariff rates for mechanically deboned or separated meat of chicken and turkey (MDM) shall be maintained at 5 percent through December 31, 2024. EO 13 cites the need to maintain the reduced tariffs of MDM to ensure the continued supply of essential food at affordable prices, diversify the country's sources, and help businesses recover and sustain their operations.

The order was published in the Government of the Philippines Official Gazette on January 20, 2023. The order states that the extension is effective immediately, but would still require a Bureau of Customs Administrative Order to be issued to enforce. The order is set to expire on December 31, 2024, at which time the tariffs would revert to their previous higher rates unless they are again extended by executive order.

Per Section 1608 of Republic Act 10863, also known as the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act, the President has the power to modify or remove tariffs "in the interest of general welfare and national security." The current executive order is an extension of tariff reductions ordered by President Rodrigo Duterte in January 2021.

Attachments:

No Attachments.