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):** HS Code: 0105 - Live poultry, "fowls of the species Gallus domesticus, ducks, geese, turkeys and guinea fowls"; HS Code: 0207 - Meat and edible offal of fowls of the species Gallus domesticus, ducks, geese, turkeys and guinea fowls, fresh, chilled or frozen; HS Code: 0407 - Birds' eggs, in shell, fresh, preserved or cooked; HS Code: 04071 - Fertilised eggs for incubation; HS Code: 04072 - Other fresh eggs; HS Code: 040790 - Birds' eggs, in shell, preserved or cooked; HS Code: 05119 - Other |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[ ]** **All trading partners**  **[****X] Specific regions or countries:** Italy |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Department of Agriculture Memorandum Order No. 23, Series of 2022, Temporary Ban on the Importation of Domestic and Wild Birds and their Products Including Poultry Meat, Day-old Chicks, Eggs and Semen Originating from Italy. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 2  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/PHL/22_2008_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Order, signed on 7 March 2022, hereby institutes the following emergency measures for the importation of domestic and wild birds and their products from Italy:   1. Banning the importation of domestic and wild birds and their products, including poultry meat, day-old chicks, eggs and semen; 2. Immediate suspension of the processing, evaluation of the application and issuance of SPS import clearance for the above-stated commodities; 3. Immediate suspension of the processing, evaluation of the application and issuance of SPS import clearance of poultry processed animal proteins; 4. All shipments IN TRANSIT/LOADED/ACCEPTED UNTO PORT before the official communication of this Order to the Italian authorities shall be allowed provided the products were produced before 4 October 2021; 5. Shipments which have not complied with the conditions set forth in Item 3 shall be dealt wiht as per DA AO 9 S. 2010 Section VII.D. |
| **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 Directorate General for Veterinary Health and Veterinary Medicinal Products (DGSAF), Ministry of Health, Rome, Italy to the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) on 21 October 2021, there was an outbreak of H5N1 Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Ronco all'Adige, Verona, Italy affecting domestic birds as confirmed by the Experimental Zooprophylactic Institute (IZS), Venezie (National Laboratory).  Italy is not an accredited country to export poultry meat to the Philippines but there is a need to prevent the entry of other poultry-related commodities originating from Italy that might enter the country through hand-carried products from international vessels or any other possible routes. |
| **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 Terrestrial Animal Health Code (2021)  **[ ]** **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/To be determined.  **[ ]** **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@gmail.com |
| **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, Quezon City  Tel: +(632) 926 7439  Fax: +(632) 928 0590  E-mail: spspilipinas@gmail.com |