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):** Domestic and wild pigs and their products including pork meat, pig skin, processed animal proteins and semen (HS code(s): 1501, 0103, 0203, 0209, 02101) |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:****[****] All trading partners** **[****X] Specific regions or countries:** Singapore |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Department of Agriculture Memorandum Order No. 20 Series of 2023: Temporary Ban on the Importation of Domestic and Wild Pigs and their Products and By-products Including Pork Meat, Pig Skin, Porcine Processed Animal Proteins and Semen Originating from Singapore. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 2[https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/PHL/23\_1967\_00\_e.pdf](https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/PHL/23_1967_00_e.pdf%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Order, signed on 6 March 2023, institutes the following measures for the importation of domestic and wild pigs and their products from Singapore:1. Banning the importation of domestic and wild pigs and their products, including pork meat, pork skin, and semen;
2. Immediate suspension of the processing, evaluation of the application and issuance of Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) import clearance to the above-stated commodities; and
3. Stoppage and confiscation of all shipments of the aforementioned commodities into the country by all Veterinary Quarantine Officers/Inspectors at all major ports of entry.
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| **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 report submitted by the Chief Veterinary Officer, Director General of the Animal and Veterinary Services of Singapore to the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH) on 5 February 2023, they have reported an outbreak of African Swine Fever (ASF) in a nature park in North-West Singapore affecting wild board as confirmed by the Centre for Animal and Veterinary Services. |
| **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)*:** Chapters 1.1, 4.3 and 15.1 of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code**[****] 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.**[****] 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 DirectorPolicy Research ServiceDepartment of AgricultureElliptical Road, DilimanTel: +(632) 926 7439Fax: +(632) 928 0590E-mail: spspilipinas@da.gov.ph |
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