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MEMORANDUM ORDER

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Subject: **LIFTING THE TEMPORARY BAN ON THE IMPORTATION OF DOMESTIC AND WILD BIRDS AND THEIR PRODUCTS INCLUDING POULTRY MEAT, DAY OLD CHICKS, EGGS AND SEMEN ORIGINATING FROM LIMBURG, NETHERLANDS**

WHEREAS, based on the official report submitted by Dr. Christianne Brusckke, Chief Veterinary Officer, Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality, The Hague Netherlands to the Office Internationale des Epizooties (OIE), the avian influenza event in Limburg, Netherlands, was resolved last 20 June 2012;

WHEREAS, the disinfection of infected premises was completed on 03 May 2012 and no further cases of AI have been reported;

WHEREAS, appropriate surveillance has been completed to demonstrate the outbreak of LPNAI in turkeys has been contained and eradicated;

WHEREAS, in compliance with Article 10.4.3.2, Chapter 10.4 (Avian Influenza) of the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code, Netherlands is now free of the H5N2 LPNAI;

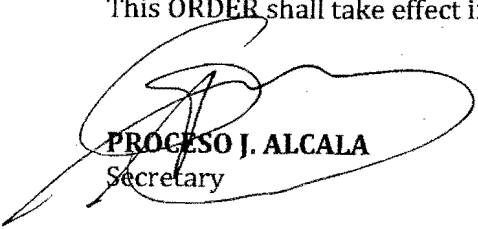
WHEREAS, based on the evaluation of the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI), the risk of contamination from importing poultry and poultry products from Limburg, Netherlands is negligible;

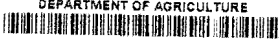
NOW, THEREFORE I, PROCESO J. ALCALA, Secretary of the Department of Agriculture, by the powers vested in me by law, do hereby lift the temporary ban on the importation of domestic and wild birds and their products including poultry meat, day old chicks, eggs and semen originating from Limburg, Netherlands.

All import transaction of the above products shall be in accordance with the existing rules and regulations of the Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Animal Industry and National Meat Inspection Service (DA-BA-NMIS).

All orders, rules and regulation or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with the provision of this order, are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

This ORDER shall take effect immediately.


PROCESO J. ALCALA
Secretary

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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