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 and semen |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[ ]** **All trading partners**  **[****X] Specific regions or countries:** China |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Department of Agriculture Memorandum Order No. 26, Series of 2018, Temporary Ban on the Importation of Domestic and Wild Pigs and their Products Including Pork Meat and Semen from China. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 1  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/PHL/18_4813_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The order bans the importation of domestic and wild pigs and their products from China and also suspends the processing, evaluation and issuance of Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) import clearance of the aforementioned commmodities. Shipments of the said commodities into the country will likewise be stopped and confiscated by DA Veterinary Quarantine Officers/Inspectors at all major ports. |
| **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:** The China Animal Health and Epidemiology Center, National Research Center for exotic animal diseases confirmed that there was an outbreak of African Swine Fever (ASF) in Shenbei Street, Shenbei New District, Shenyang, Liaoning, China. There is a need to prevent the entry of the ASF virus into the Philippines. |
| **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 2018  **[ ]** **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):** 8 August 2018  **[ ]** **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@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 |
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