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 birds and their products |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[ ]** **All trading partners**  **[****X] Specific regions or countries:** Australia |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Department of Agriculture Memorandum Order No.40 Series of 2020 Temporary Ban on the Importation of Domestic and Wild Birds and their Products Including Poultry Meat, Day Old Chicks, Eggs and Semen Originating from Australia. **Language(s):** English . **Number of pages:** One (1)  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/PHL/20_4988_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Order bans the importation of domestic and wild birds and their products including poultry meat, day old chicks, eggs and semen. It also immediately suspends the processing and evaluation of the application and issuance of SPS import clearance for the said goods. All incoming poultry shipments with SPS import clearance issued on or before 6 August 2020 will be allowed provided frozen poultry meat has a slaughter/process date of 21 days prior to the start of the HPAI outbreak (on or before 3 July 2020).  All shipments will be subject to veterinary quarantine rules and regulations. Stoppage and confiscation of all shipments of the above-stated commodities (with the exception of heat-treated products) into the country will be done by all DA Veterinary Quarantine Officers/Inspectors at all major ports of entry if the provisions in Item 3 are not followed. Importation of meat products of poultry is subject to the conditions provided in Article 10.4.19, 10.4.20 and 10.4.26 of the OIE Animal Health Code (2019). The Order was signed on 14 August 2020 |
| **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 Dr. Mark Schipp, Chief Veterinary Officer, Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment, Australian Government, Canberra, Australia to the World Organisation for Animal Health on 31 July 2020, there was one (1) outbreak of H7N7 HIghly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) in Lethbridge, Victoria, Australia affecting birds on 24 July 2020 as confirmed by the Australian Centre for Disease Preparedness (OIE Reference Laboratory). |
| **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)*:** Article 10.4.19, 10.4.20 and 10.4.26 of the OIE Animal Health Code (2019)  **[ ]** **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** |
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