

Republic of the Philippines **DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Elliptical Road, Diliman

1101 Quezon City Philippines

14 AUGUST 2014

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICA DAGE 2013
Office of Undersecretary for Policy & Penning Internal New Price
RICE
BY: Law

MEMORANDUM ORDER

No. <u>9</u> Series of 2014

SUBJECT:

LIFTING THE TEMPORARY BAN ON THE IMPORTATION OF DOMESTIC AND WILD BIRDS INCLUDING POULTRY MEAT, DAY OLD CHICKS, EGGS AND SEMEN ORIGINATING FROM OStello, FERARA and Mordano, Bolognia, EMILIA-ROMAGNA, ITALY.

WHEREAS, based on the official report submitted by Dr. Romano Marabelli, Chief Veterinary Officer, Department of Veterinary Public Health, Food Safety and Collegial Bodies for Health Protection, Ministry of Health, Rome Italy to the *Office Internationale des Epizooties* (OIE), that the High Pathogenicity Avian Influenza (HPAI) event in Emilia-Romagna, Italy have been resolved;

WHEREAS, in August 22, 2013, DA issued Memorandum Order No. 32 series of 2013 entitled: Temporary ban on the importation of domestic and wild birds and their products including poultry meat, day old chicks, eggs and semen originating from Ostello, FERARA and Mordano, Bolognia, EMILIA-ROMAGNA, ITALY;

WHEREAS, in accordance to the provisions of Chapter 10.4, article 10.4.3 of the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code 2014, ITALY is now free from HPAI;

WHEREAS, based on the evaluation of the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI), the risk of contamination from importing poultry and poultry products from Italy 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 including poultry meat, day old chicks, eggs and semen originating from Italy.

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

All orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this order, are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

This order shall take effect immediately.

PROCESO J. ALCALA Secretary

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

In replying pls cite this code. For Signature: \$-09-14-0003

Received 09/01/2014 09:32 AM

