

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

1101 Quezon City Philippines

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MEMORANDUM ORDER

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SUBJECT:

TEMPORARY BAN ON THE IMPORTATION OF FMD-SUSCEPTIBLE ANIMALS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND BY-PRODUCTS ORIGINATING FROM THE REPUBLIC

OF KOREA

WHEREAS, based on the official report submitted by Dr. Tae Yung Kim, Director General, Livestock Policy Bureau for Food, Agriculture, Forestry & Fisheries to the *Office International des Epizooties* (OIE) last July 24, 2014, there was an outbreak of Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) virus in Bian-myeon, Uiseong-gun, GYEONGSANGBUK-DO, Republic of Korea;

WHEREAS, the outbreak was confirmed to have caused by FMD virus of Serotype-O affecting a piggery farm located in Bian-myeon, Uiseong-gun, GYEONGSANGBUK-DO, Republic of Korea;

WHEREAS, there is a need to prevent the entry of FMD- susceptible animals, their products and by-products originating from the Republic of Korea to protect the health of the local livestock population;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PROCESO J. ALCALA, Secretary of Agriculture, by the powers vested in me by law, do hereby institute the following emergency measures;

1. Banning the importation of FMD- susceptible animals their products and by- products originating from the Republic of Korea;

2. Immediate suspension of the processing, evaluation of the application and issuance of Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) import Clearance to import of the above-stated commodities from the Republic of Korea by the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI);

 Stoppage and confiscation of all shipments of FMD-susceptible animals, their products and by-products into the country originating from the Republic of Korea by all DA Veterinary Quarantine Officer/Inspectors at all major ports of entry;

This order shall take effect immediately.

PROCESO J. ALCALA

Secretary

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