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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 Japan.

WHEREAS, based on the official report submitted on April 24, 2015 by Dr. Toshiro Kawashima, Chief Veterinary Officer, Deputy Director-General, Food Safety and Consumer Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Tokyo, Japan to the *Office Internationale des Epizooties* (OIE), that the Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) virus event in Japan has been resolved;

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

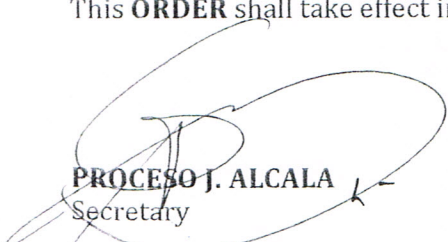
WHEREAS, based on the evaluation of the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI), the risk of contamination from importing poultry and poultry products from Japan is negligible;

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 Japan.

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orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this order, are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.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



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