



Republic of the Philippines  
**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**  
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**MEMORANDUM ORDER**

No. 34  
Series 2009

**SUBJECT: TEMPORARY BAN ON THE IMPORTATION OF DOMESTIC AND WILD BIRDS INCLUDING POULTRY MEAT, DAY OLD CHICKS, EGGS AND SEMEN ORIGINATING FROM FRANCE**

**WHEREAS**, based on the report submitted to the Office International des Epizooties (OIE) by Dr. Jean Luc Angot, Director General Adjoint, an occurrence of Low Pathogenic Avian Influenza (LPAI) in France;

**WHEREAS**, low pathogenic avian influenza (H5) has been detected in a duck farm in Saint Aubin du Plain, France;

**WHEREAS**, travelers may bring in birds and its products from France;

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to prevent the entry of LPAI virus to protect the health of the local poultry population;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, ATTY. ARTHUR C. YAP**, Secretary of Agriculture, by the powers vested in me by law, do hereby institute the following emergency measures:

1. Banning the importation of domestic and wild birds, including day-old chicks, eggs and semen from France;
2. Immediate suspension of the processing, evaluation of the application and issuance of Veterinary Quarantine Clearance (VQC) to import the above-stated commodities from France;
3. Stoppage and confiscation of all shipments of poultry and poultry products into the country originating from France by all DA Veterinary Quarantine Officers/Inspectors at all major ports.

This Order shall take effect immediately and supercedes /amends DA Memorandum Order No. 31 dated November 25, 2009 Series of 2009.

**ATTY. ARTHUR C. YAP**  
Secretary

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Please disregard Memo Order No. 1 series 2009 dated December 21, 2009. The true/correct number of the said Order is Memo Order No. 34 series 2009. Thank you.

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