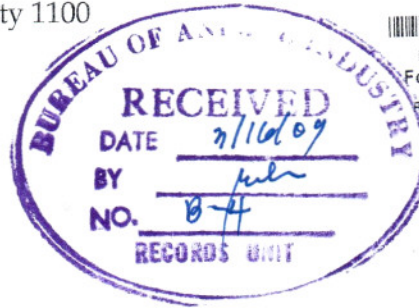




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MEMORANDUM ORDER

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

WHEREAS, based on the official report submitted to the Office International des Epizooties last 18 February 2009 by Dr. Watson H. T. Sung, Director General, there were two outbreaks of Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) in Taiwan, Republic of China;

WHEREAS, the FMD outbreaks were reported in swine farms in the provinces of Maolao Twonship, Yun-Lin and Beldou Town, Chang-Hua, respectively;

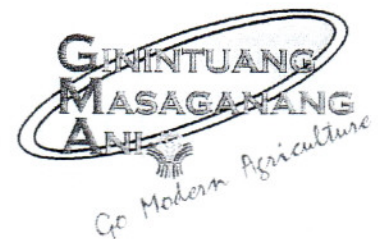
WHEREAS, there is a need to prevent the entry of FMD-susceptible animals, their products and by-products originating from Taiwan, Republic of China to protect the health of the local livestock population;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ATTY. ARTHUR C. YAP, Secretary of the Department of Agriculture, 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 Taiwan, Republic of China;
2. Immediate suspension of the processing, evaluation of the application and issuance of Veterinary Quarantine Clearance (VQC) to Import of the above-stated commodities from Taiwan, Republic of China by the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI);
3. Stoppage and confiscation of all shipments of FMD-susceptible animals, their products and by-products into the country originating from Taiwan, Republic of China by all DA Veterinary Quarantine Officers/Inspectors at all major ports;

This Order shall take effect immediately.


ATTY. ARTHUR C. YAP
Secretary



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