## Republic of the Philippines Ministry of Agriculture BUREAU OF PLANT INDUSTRY Manila

BFI SPECIAL QUARANTINE ORDER )
No. I-1 :
Series of 1982 )

May 26, 1982

SUBJECT:

Regulating the Importation of Mango
Plants (Mangifera spp.) and parts
thereof from Places, Areas or Countries
Infested with Mango Malformation or
or Bunchy-Top, Woody-Gall and Scaly
Bark (Cuarteado), Diseases of Mango
in Order to Prevent their Introduction into the Philippines,

WHEREAS, mango malformation or bunchy-top disease of uncertain origin has been found to be a dangerous mango disease and is known to exist in India, Pakistan, Bangladesh and Egypt;

WHEREAS, mango woody-gall and scaly bark disease of uncertain origin have likewise been found to be dangerous mango diseases and are known to exist in Colombia and Hawali;

WHEREAS, the introduction of these diseases into this country would be a menace to our mango industry and

WHEREAS, mango fruit export is one of our viable and growing fruit industries, which must be provided with appropriate protection.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 3 and 17 of P.D. No. 1433, otherwise known as the "Plant Quarantine Decree of 1978", the following regulations are hereby promulgated to govern and regulate the importation, bringing or introduction of mango plants (Mangifera spp.), fruits and parts thereof into this country from areas, places, or countries infested with mango malformation or bunchy-top, woody-gall and scaly bark diseases.

SECTION 1. The importation of mango plants and parts thereof from areas, places or countries that are known to be infested with mango malformation or bunchy-top, woody-gall, scaly bark (cuarteado), is hereby prohibited. Provided, that the importation thereof in limited quantity not exceeding 10 plants or parts thereof for hybridization work and/or for varietal improvement may be allowed under permit from the Director; Provided, further that such importation shall be subject to post-entry quarantine in accordance with the provisions of Section 13, Rule II of BPI Quarantine Administrative Order No. 1, Series of 1981.

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SECTION 2. Any "person" who intends to import mango plants or parts thereof for propagation, hybridization and/or varietal improvement shall file an application for permit to import stating the purpose of importation, quantity, origin of importation, name and address of exporter from the country of origin, place where such plants were grown and such other information that the Director may require regarding the said importation in accordance with the provisions of Section 3, Rule II of BPI Quarantine Administrative Order No. 1, Series of 1981.

SECTION 3. The Director may revoke the permit to import plants or planting materials or confiscate or destroy the plants or planting materials any time when any of the cause/s or ground/s enumerated in Section 5, Rule II of BPI Quarantine Administrative Order No. 1 exists.

SECTION 4. Femalty Clause. Any "person" who violates the provisions of this Order, or forges, counterfeits, alters, defaces and destroys any document issued by virtue of this Administrative Order shall be fined not more than Twenty Thousand Pesos (P20,000.00) or by imprisonment from prision correctional or prision mayor or both in the discretion of the Court in accordance with Section 23 of P.D. 1433.

SECTION 5. Repealing Clause. All rules and regulations inconsistent with the provisions of this Administrative Order are hereby superseded or revoked accordingly.

This Order shall take effect immediately upon approval.

ARTURO R. TANCO, JR. Minister of Agriculture

RECOMMENDING APPROVAL:

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