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MEMORANDUM ORDER No. <u>10</u>

Series of 2006

Subject: TEMPORARY BAN ON THE IMPORTATION OF FMD-SUSCEPTIBLE ANIMALS,

THEIR PRODUCTS AND BY-PRODUCTS ORIGINATING FROM TURKEY AND

EGYPT

WHEREAS, based on reports submitted by Dr. Hüseyin Sungur, Director General, General Directorate of Protection and Control, Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs, Ankara, Turkey and Dr. Ahmed Tawfik Mohamed, Chairman of the General Organization for Veterinary Services, Ministry of Agriculture, Cairo, to the Office International des Epizooties last February 7 and 15, 2006 respectively, there was an outbreak of Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) of virus serotype A in Turkey and Egypt;

WHEREAS, there is a need to prevent the entry of FMD-susceptible animals, their products and by-products originating from Turkey and Egypt;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DOMINGO F. PANGANIBAN, Secretary of the Department 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 Turkey and Egypt;
- 2. Stoppage and confiscation of all shipments of FMD-susceptible animals, their products and by-products by all DA Quarantine Officers/Inspectors at all major seaports and airports.
- 3. Immediate suspension of the issuance of Veterinary Quarantine Clearance (VQC) to import relevant to the importation of the above-stated commodities from Turkey and Egypt by the Bureau of Animal Industry.

This **Order** shall take effect immediately.

DOMINGO F. PANGANIBAN

Secretary