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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 PARAGUAY**

WHEREAS, based on the official report submitted to the Office International des Epizooties by Dr. Hugo Federico Idoyaga Benitez, Director General, SENACSA, Comercio Exterior y Relaciones Internacionales de SENACSA (Servicio Nacional de Calidad y Salud Animal), there was an outbreak of Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) in Paraguay;

WHEREAS, the FMD was confirmed last 2 January 2012 in a cattle farm in San Pedro, Aguaray Amistad, San Pedro, Paraguay;

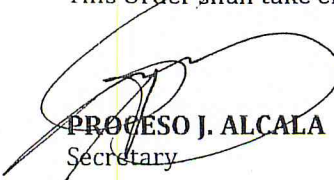
WHEREAS, there is a need to prevent the entry of FMD-susceptible animals, their products and by-products originating from Paraguay to protect the health of the local livestock population;

WHEREAS, there is a need to prevent the entry of FMD and maintain the freedom of country from this disease;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PROCESO J. ALCALA, 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 Paraguay;
2. Immediate suspension of the processing, evaluation of the application and issuance of Veterinary Quarantine Clearance (VQC)/SPS to Import of the above-stated commodities from Paraguay 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 Paraguay by all DA Veterinary Quarantine Officers/Inspectors at all major ports.

This Order shall take effect immediately.


PROCESO J. ALCALA
Secretary

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