NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Philippines**If applicable, name of local government involved:**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Department of Agriculture |
| **3.** | **Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):** HS Code: 0105 - Live poultry, "fowls of the species Gallus domesticus, ducks, geese, turkeys and guinea fowls"; HS Code: 0207 - Meat and edible offal of fowls of the species Gallus domesticus, ducks, geese, turkeys and guinea fowls, fresh, chilled or frozen; HS Code: 0407 - Birds' eggs, in shell, fresh, preserved or cooked; HS Code: 04071 - Fertilised eggs for incubation; HS Code: 04072 - Other fresh eggs; HS Code: 040790 - Birds' eggs, in shell, preserved or cooked; HS Code: 05119 - Other |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:****[ ]** **All trading partners** **[****X] Specific regions or countries:** United Kingdom |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Department of Agriculture Memorandum Order No. 18 Series of 2021, Temporary Ban on the Importation of Domestic and Wild Birds and their Products Including Poultry Meat, Day-old Chicks, Eggs and Semen Originating from United Kingdom. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 2<https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/PHL/21_1803_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Order, signed on 5 March 2021, institutes the following emergency measures for the importation of domestic and wild birds and their products from United Kingdom:1. Banning the importation of domestic and wild birds and their products, including poultry meat, day old chicks, and semen;
2. Immediate suspension of processing, evaluation of the application and issuance of SPS import clearance for the above-stated commodities;
3. All shipments in transit/loaded/accepted into port before the official communication of this Order to the British authorities shall be allowed provided the products were not sourced from the following areas:
4. whole of England;
5. Scotland-Orkney Islands;
6. Northern Ireland-Nr Lisburn, Nr Clough;
7. Isle of Anglesey;
8. All other shipments accepted at the port of origin the day after the date of official communication to the British authorities are therefore advised not to sail;
9. Stoppage and confiscation of all shipments of the above-stated commodities (with exception on heat-treated products) into the country by all Veterinary Quarantine Officers/Inspectors at all major ports of entry if the provisions written in Item 3 are not followed;
10. Importation of meat products of poultry is subject to the conditions provided in Articles 10.4.19, 10.4.20 and 10.4.26 of OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code (2019).
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| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [ ]****food safety, [****X] animal health, [ ]****plant protection, [ ]****protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ]****protect territory from other damage from pests.**  |
| **8.** | **Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action:** Based on the official report submitted by Dr. Christine Middlemiss, Chief Veterinary Officer, Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, London, United Kingdom to the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) on 18 November 2020, there was an outbreak of H5N8 Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) virus in South Derbyshire, England affecting birds as confirmed by the Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA), Weybridge. The outbreaks have continuously spread to other areas in England such as South Derbyshire, N, Dorset aside from the previously reported Frodsham, Hereford, Leicestershire, Hambleton, Breckland, Kings Lynn and West Norfolk. Other DA Memorandum Order 76 series of 2020 has already imposed a ban on the whole of England, United Kingdom due to its widespread outbreaks. Other countries of the United Kingdom such as Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland have already been infected with HPAI, aside from England. |
| **9.** | **Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:** **[ ]** **Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:** **[****X] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:** Chapter 10.4 of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code (2019)**[ ]** **International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:** **[ ]** **None****Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?****[****X] Yes [ ]** **No****If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:**  |
| **10.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:**   |
| **11.** | **Date of entry into force (*dd/mm/yy*)/period of application (as applicable):** Immediately.**[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure**  |
| **12.** | **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [****X] National Notification Authority, [****X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:** Office of the DirectorPolicy Research ServiceDepartment of AgricultureElliptical Road, Diliman, Quezon CityTel: +(632) 926 7439Fax: +(632) 928 0590E-mail: spspilipinas@gmail.com |
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