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**Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures** 

## **NOTIFICATION**

1.	Notifying Member: PHILIPPINES
	If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Department of Agriculture (DA), Bureau of Agriculture and Fisheries Standards (BAFS)
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): Quick frozen foods
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
	[X] All trading partners
	[ ] Specific regions or countries:
5.	Title of the notified document: Philippine National Standard- Code of Hygienic Practice for Processing and Handling of Quick Frozen Foods. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 23
	http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/PHL/17 3941 00 e.pdf
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> This Code applies to the receiving, preparation, processing, handling, storage, transport, distribution, and retailing of all quick frozen foods such as cereals, fruits and vegetables, fish, meat, poultry and their products, bakery and pastry products.
7.	Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [ ] animal health, [ ] plant protection, [ ] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ] protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:
	[X] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): CAC/GL 8:1976 amended 2008
	[] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):
	[ ] 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:
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:

**10.** Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.

**Proposed date of publication (***dd/mm/yy***):** To be determined.

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.
  - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 6 November 2017

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:

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