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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>PHILIPPINES</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Department of Agriculture
<b>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):</b> Food wastes from ships
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>All trading partners</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Specific regions or countries:</b>
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Department of Agriculture Memorandum Circular No. 13 Series of 2019, Prohibition of Unloading of Food Wastes from Ships. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 1 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/PHL/19_6414_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/PHL/19_6414_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The Circular prohibits the unloading of food wastes from ships and directs Veterinary Quarantine Officers at various Veterinary Quarantine Stations to monitor that no food wastes are unloaded.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
<b>8. Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action:</b> The introduction of transboundary animal diseases such as Foot-and-Mouth Disease (FMD) and African Swine Fever through feeding of food wastes from ships can lead to severe economic impact, in particular the Php260B pig industry.
<b>9. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b> Chapters 1.1, 4.3, 15.1 and Article 15.1.22 of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code 2018 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b> <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

<b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b>	
<b>10.</b>	<b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b>
<b>11.</b>	<b>Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable):</b> 26 September 2019  <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b>
<b>12.</b>	<b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b>  Office of the Director Policy Research Service Department of Agriculture Elliptical Road, Diliman Quezon City Tel: +(632) 926 7439 Fax: +(632) 928 0590 E-mail: spspilipinas@gmail.com Website: <a href="http://spsissuances.da.gov.ph/">http://spsissuances.da.gov.ph/</a>  or  National Veterinary Quarantine Services Bureau of Animal Industry Visayas Avenue, Diliman Quezon City Tel: +(632) 920 0815 Fax: +(632) 920 0916 E-mail: nvqs_bai@yahoo.com quarantine_bai@yahoo.com
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