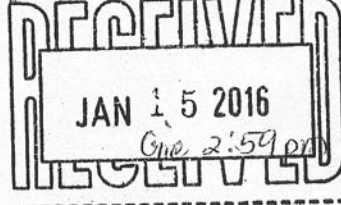




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**MEMORANDUM ORDER**

No. 02  
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**SUBJECT: LIFTING THE TEMPORARY BAN ON THE IMPORTATION OF DOMESTIC AND WILD BIRDS AND THEIR PRODUCTS INCLUDING POULTRY MEAT, DAY OLD CHICKS, EGGS AND SEMEN ORIGINATING FROM *Dixon County, NEBRASKA; IOWA; MINNESOTA and SOUTH DAKOTA, USA***

**WHEREAS**, based on the final report submitted by Dr. John Clifford, Deputy Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, United States Department of Agriculture, United States of America to the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), that the Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) events are now closed in the following areas: **Dixon County, NEBRASKA (DA MO No. 33, series of 2015); IOWA (DA MO No. 27 series of 2015); MINNESOTA (DA MO 21 series of 2015) and SOUTH DAKOTA (DA MO 21 series of 2015), USA.**

**WHEREAS**, in accordance to the provisions of Chapter 10.4, article 10.4.3 of the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code 2015, Dixon County, NEBRASKA; IOWA; MINNESOTA and SOUTH DAKOTA, USA are now free from HPAI;

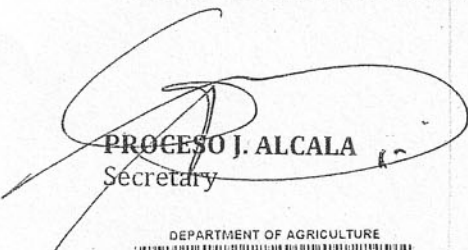
**WHEREAS**, based on the evaluation of the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI), the risk of contamination from importing poultry and poultry products from Dixon County, NEBRASKA; IOWA; MINNESOTA and SOUTH DAKOTA, USA is negligible;

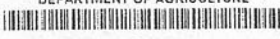
**NOW, THEREFORE, I, PROCESO J. ALCALA**, Secretary of the Department of Agriculture, by the powers vested in me by law, do hereby lift the temporary ban on the importation of domestic and wild birds<sup>1</sup> including poultry meat<sup>2</sup>, day old chicks, eggs and semen originating from Dixon County, NEBRASKA; IOWA; MINNESOTA and SOUTH DAKOTA, USA.

All import transaction of the above products shall be in accordance with existing rules and regulations of the Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Animal Industry and National Meat Inspection Service (DA-BAI-NMIS).

All orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this order, are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

This **ORDER** shall take effect immediately.

  
**PROCESO J. ALCALA**  
Secretary

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<sup>1</sup> Importation of domestic and wild birds shall be allowed on or after the issuance of the Order.

<sup>2</sup> Importation of fresh/frozen poultry meat products processed on or after the issuance of this Order shall be allowed.

