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**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**  
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**SPECIAL ORDER**

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**SUBJECT: CREATION OF A TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP TO DRAFT PROPOSED ISSUANCES RELEVANT TO THE IMPORTATION OF RICE**

In the exigency of the service, a Technical Working Group (TWG) is hereby created to assist the Philippine International Trading Corporation (PITC) in formulating the following:

1. Terms of Reference (TOR) that will be used in the conduct of the importation of 300,000 metric tons rice through a government-to-government arrangement that the Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) recommended to the President; and
2. Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) that will specify the relationships between agencies that will be involved in the said importation.

The TWG shall be composed of the following:

Chairman : **Undersecretary Ariel T. Cayanan, DA-Operations**  
Members : **Asst. Secretary Andrew B. Villacorta, DA-Operations**  
**Asst. Secretary Noel A. Padre, DA-Policy Research and Development**  
**Administrator Judy Carol L. Dansal, NFA**  
**Asst. Administrator Rex Estoperez, NFA**  
**Asst. Administrator Lemuel R. Pagayunan, NFA**  
**Director George Y. Culaste, BPI**  
**Asst. Director Andres A. Alemania, BPI**

The TWG shall meet immediately and present to the Secretary the draft TOR and draft MOA on 15 April 2020. The TWG shall immediately transmit the approved TOR and MOA to the PITC for its consideration.

This Order takes effect immediately.

**WILLIAM D. DAR, Ph. D.**  
Secretary

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