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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

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SUBJECT : AMENDMENT TO MC 38 AND MC 39

WHEREAS, after consultation with concerned stakeholders as directed in MC 38, the stakeholders suggested some adjustments in the days the SPSIC must be used after issuance to accommodate possible delays in processing shipment by foreign suppliers.

WHEREAS, the Department of Agriculture continues to appeal to importers' nationalistic sense to ensure the fair and equitable price of local rice by avoiding arrivals of imports during peak harvest periods.

WHEREAS, the Department of Agriculture recognizes the need to ensure enough supply and buffer stock to ensure the availability, accessibility, and affordability of safe rice

WHEREAS, most of the traders and millers are cooperating with the Department of Agriculture to ensure both the well being of local farmers and producers and national food security.

NOW, THEREFORE, recognizing the need to protect the welfare of our local farmers and producers and the need to ensure food security, the following amendment to the MC 38 are adopted:

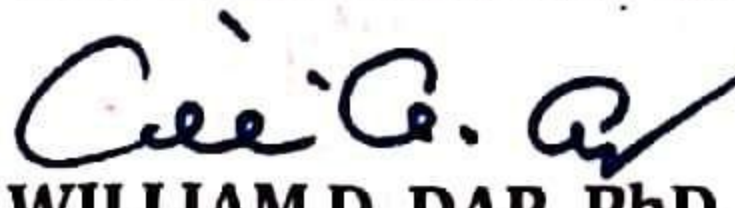
"The actual product/consignment must arrive no later than sixty days from the Date Issued of the SPSIC for rice coming from ASEAN countries(except Myanmar) and ninety days (90) days for those coming from Myanmar and other countries."

Furthermore, the days for must ship out and arrive indicated above shall also apply to the pertinent provision of MC 39 for corn and wheat.

All existing Department circulars, rules and regulations, orders or parts thereof, inconsistent with this Order's provisions, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

If any portion of this Order is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the other parts thereof, which are not affected, shall continue to be in full force and effect.

This Order shall take effect immediately.


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