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

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Series of 2021

**SUBJECT: CREATION OF THE INTERAGENCY RESEARCH TEAM FOR PRELIMINARY TRIALS USING IVERMECTIN AND OTHER AGENT WITH PHARMACOLOGICAL PROPERTIES IN THE AFRICAN SWINE FEVER (ASF) CONTROL AND PREVENTION**

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In the exigency of service, the Research Team for ASF Control and Prevention is hereby created and will be composed of the following:

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**DA Regional ASF Task Force**

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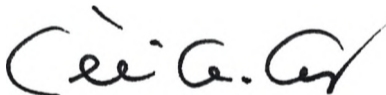
**Duties and Responsibilities:**

- 1.) Prepare research proposals on the use of Ivermectin, ASF Buster, Cloud Feed and other potential products for the control and prevention of ASF;
- 2.) Conduct preliminary field trials of Ivermectin and other agents to produce science-based evidences in support to control and prevention programs of ASF;
- 3.) Formulate and draft science-based policies for the National Guidelines in using Ivermectin and other agents in the control and prevention programs of ASF; and
- 4.) Collaborate with international research institution to conduct experiments to support claims in the use of Ivermectin and other agents.

All officials and employees of the Department, including its Bureaus, Attached Agencies, Corporations, Regional Field Offices are hereby advised to give their full support and cooperation to this Research Team in the performance of their duties and responsibilities. Expenses of the designated personnel to perform the research activities shall be charged to the National Livestock Program subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain enforced unless revoked in writing. All orders inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this 30th day of April 2021.



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Secretary

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