

MEMORANDUM ORDER No. 47 Series of 2021

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 *Ukraine*

WHEREAS, based on the final report submitted by the veterinary authorities of Ukraine to the World Organisation for Animal Health, the Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) events in Ukraine (with previous temporary suspension order: DA Memorandum Order No. 10 series of 2020) are now closed and resolved;

WHEREAS, in accordance to the provisions of Chapter 10.4, article 10.4.3 of the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code 2019, Ukraine is now free from HPAI;

WHEREAS, based on the evaluation of the Department of Agriculture, the risk of contamination from importing poultry meat, day old chicks, eggs and semen is negligible;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM D. DAR, 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 and their products originating from Ukraine;

All import transaction of the above bird species shall be in accordance with existing rules and regulations of the Department of Agriculture and the Bureau of Animal Industry.

All orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this order, are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.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

Done this 23+ day of August 2021

WILLIAM D. DAR, Ph.D.

Secretary

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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