



Republic of the Philippines
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
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MEMORANDUM ORDER

No. 61
Series of 2022

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 *Missouri, United States of America*

WHEREAS, the Department of Agriculture has imposed DA Memorandum Order No. 29 series of 2022 due to the detection of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) in several areas in the United States of America;

WHEREAS, based on the report of the veterinary authority of United States of America (USA) to the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH) and the supporting documents submitted by the USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) all outbreaks of HPAI in Missouri are now closed and resolved;

WHEREAS, in accordance to the provisions of Chapter 10.4 of the WOAH Terrestrial Animal Health Code, Missouri is now free from HPAI;

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

NOW, THEREFORE, this Order is hereby issued to lift the temporary ban on the importation of domestic and wild birds and their products originating from the State of Missouri, United States of America;

All import transaction of the above bird species shall be in accordance with existing rules and regulations of the DA.

All orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this order are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.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 12th day of August 2022

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