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**SPECIAL ORDER** 

No. <u>934</u> Series of 2023

SUBJECT :

AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT AND PARTICIPATE IN THE 2023

SERIES OF ORIENTATION-SEMINARS ON TRADE REMEDIES,

FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS AND DISCIPLINES

ON AGRICULTURAL TRADE

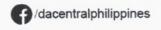
In the exigency of the service, the Trade Remedies Unit (TRU) of the Policy Research Service (PRS) is hereby authorized to conduct the remaining activities of its 2023 series of "Orientation-Seminar on Trade Remedies, Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) and Disciplines on Agriculture Trade" in the following key areas:

Host Province	Tentative Schedule (2023)	No. of Participants
Region VI	October 10-13, 2023	100
Region XI	November 21-24, 2023	100
Region IV-A	December 5-8, 2023	100

The series of orientation-seminars aims to increase the understanding of the participants on international trade, particularly on the: 1) principles of the World Trade Organization (WTO); 2) FTA in force & those under negotiations; 3) available trade remedy measures (anti-dumping, countervailing and safeguards); and 4) disciplines and tools on agricultural trade such as Rules of Origin (ROO), Operational Certification Procedure (OCP), and Sanitary & Phytosanitary (SPS) measures.

The following is hereby authorized to attend and participate in the aforementioned activity:

OFFICE	PARTICIPANTS/INSTITUTIONS	
Department of	Undersecretary Mercedita A. Sombilla	
Agriculture (resource	Assistant Secretary Noel A. Padre	
speakers and	Ms. Tisha Pia E. De La Rosa, Macro Economic Policy Division	
secretariat)	(MEPD), PRS	
	Ms. Katrin R. Mares, MEPD, PRS	
	Ms. Sherlene A. de Torres, MEPD, PRS	
	Ms. Ardibel S. Villanueva, Food, Agricuture and Fisheries Policy	
	Division (FAFPD), PRS	
	Mr. Jomari C. Panaga, (FAFPD), PRS	
	Mr. Kurt Elias B. Yldefonzo, Office of the Assistant Secretary for	
	Policy Research and Development	



	TRU Secretariat Team		
	Bureau of Plant Industry		
	Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources		
	Bureau of Animal Industry		
	National Meat Inspection Service		
	Relevant DA Regional Field Office		
Department of	Office of the Assistant Secretary for Regulations		
Agriculture	Office of the Assistant Secretary for DA Inspectorate and		
(participants)	Enforcement		
	Relevant attached agencies and bureaus		
	Relevant DA Regional Field Office		
	Other DA Personnel as necessary		
Other government	Representative, DTI Bureau of Interantional Trade Relations		
agencies/institutions	Representatives, DTI Bureau of Import Services		
(resource speakers)	Representatives, Tariff Commission (TC)		
	Representative, Bureau of Customs (BOC)		
	Representatives, Philippine Association of Flour Millers, Inc. (PAFMIL)		
Other government	Department of Trade and Industry, Tariff Commission, Bureau of		
agencies	Customs, Philippine Statistics Authority, National Economic and		
(participants)	Development Authority, Local Government Units (LGUs), etc.		
Private sector	Agri-fishery stakeholders (producers, exporters, importers,		
(participants)	manufacturers and cooperatives/organizations)		
	Academe (e.g. State Universities)		

All expenses to be incurred for the duration of the activity such as food, venue and accommodation in a private facility, tokens, supplies and materials, and other incidental expenses, as well as travelling expenses of resource speakers, and staff from DA PRS and Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy Research and Development shall be charged against the Remedies Fund, while travelling expenses and per diem of other participants shall be charged against their respective offices funds, subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This order shall take effect immediately and shall be considered revoked upon completion of the activities. All orders, memoranda, and issuances inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this 1st day/of Avgort 2023

DOMINGO F. PANGANIBAN Senior Undersecretary

