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MEMORANDUM ORDER

No. 43
Series of 2024

SUBJECT: LIFTING THE TEMPORARY BAN ON THE IMPORTATION OF LIVE GOATS FROM the *United States of America*

WHEREAS, the Department of Agriculture (DA) imposes *DA Memorandum Order No. 26 Series of 2024*, temporarily banning the importation of live goats from the *United States of America (U.S.A)* due to the positive detection of *Coxiella burnetti* (Q fever) on the imported goats from the U.S.A. on June 19, 2024;

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI) culled more than five dozens of goats imported from the U.S.A following the detection of Q fever;

WHEREAS, according to the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH) report on Animal Disease Events, World Animal Health Information System, 2024 that there has been no reported or recorded case of Q fever in the United States of America;

WHEREAS, the stringent measures implemented by the DA-BAI underscore the commitment of the government in preventing the spread of infectious diseases to both animals and humans to safeguard public health;


WHEREAS, the Department of Health (DOH) has assured the public that animal-to-human transmission is rare and that the infection can be readily treated with antibiotics that are locally and widely available;

WHEREAS, the DA has been strengthening its pre-border measures to ensure that the risk of disease transmission from importation of live animals is negligible;

NOW, THEREFORE, this Order is hereby issued to lift the temporary ban on the importation of live goats from the *United States of America*. All import transactions of the above commodity shall be in accordance with existing rules and regulations of the DA.

This **ORDER** shall take effect immediately and shall remain in force unless revoked in writing. All orders inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this 8th day of October 2024.


FRANCISCO P. TIU LAUREL JR.
Secretary



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