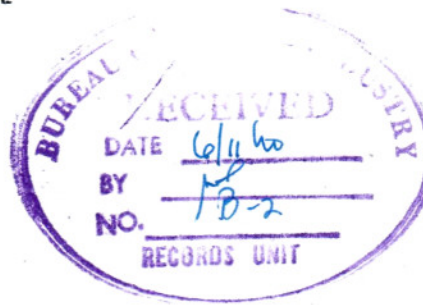




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SUBJECT: LIFTING THE TEMPORARY BAN ON THE IMPORTATION OF DOMESTIC AND WILD BIRDS AND THEIR PRODUCTS INCLUDING POULTRY MEAT, DAY OLD CHICKS, EGGS AND SEMEN ORIGINATING FROM TURKEY

WHEREAS, based on the report submitted to the Office International des Epizooties (OIE) by Assoc. Professor Dr. Muzaffer Aydemir, Director General, Turkey declares itself free from Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI);

WHEREAS, stamping out including disinfection of all affected establishments was completed on 22 March 2008;

WHEREAS, Turkey regained its status in accordance to Chapter 2.7.12 and Appendix 3.8.9 of the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code (2007);

WHEREAS, based on the evaluation of the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI), the risk of contamination from importing poultry and poultry products from Turkey is negligible;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ATTY. BERNIE G. FONDEVILLA, Secretary 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 including poultry meat, day old chicks, eggs and semen originating from Turkey.

All import transactions of the above products shall be in accordance with the existing rules and regulations of the Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Animal Industry and National Meat Inspection Service (DA-BAI-NMIS).

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orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this order, are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.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


ATTY. BERNIE G. FONDEVILLA
Secretary

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