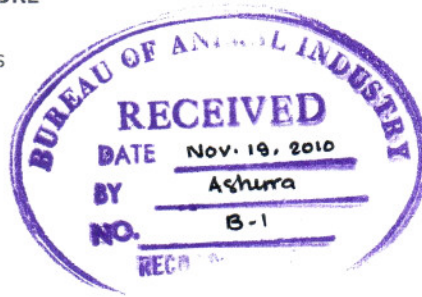




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MEMORANDUM ORDER

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SUBJECT: TEMPORARY BAN ON THE IMPORTATION OF FMD-SUSCEPTIBLE ANIMALS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND BY-PRODUCTS ORIGINATING FROM MOZAMBIQUE

WHEREAS, based on the official report submitted to the Office International des Epizooties by Dr. Florencia A. Massango Cipriano, Director of Veterinary Services last September 30, 2010, there was an outbreak of Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) in Mozambique;

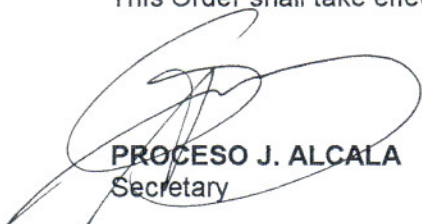
WHEREAS, the FMD outbreak started September 24, 2010 in a farm in Messano, Gaza Province;

WHEREAS, there is a need to prevent the entry of FMD-susceptible animals, their products and by-products originating from Mozambique to protect the health of the local livestock population;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PROCESO J. ALCALA, Secretary of the Department of Agriculture, by the powers vested in me by law, do hereby institute the following emergency measures:

1. Banning the importation of FMD-susceptible animals, their products and by-products originating from Mozambique;
2. Immediate suspension of the processing, evaluation of the application and issuance of Veterinary Quarantine Clearance (VQC) to Import of the above-stated commodities from Mozambique by the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI);
3. Stoppage and confiscation of all shipments of FMD-susceptible animals, their products and by-products into the country originating from Mozambique by all DA Veterinary Quarantine Officers/Inspectors at all major ports.

This Order shall take effect immediately.


PROCESO J. ALCALA
Secretary

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