



**MEMORANDUM ORDER**

No. 15  
Series of 2024

**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 *Belgium***

**WHEREAS**, the Philippines has imposed DA Memorandum Order No. 02 Series 2024, temporarily banning the importation of live poultry, poultry products, and by-products including day-old chicks (DOC) and hatching eggs originating from *Belgium*;

**WHEREAS**, based on the official self-declaration report of Dr. Herman Claeys, Deputy CVO, *Belgium* to the World Organisation Animal Health (WOAH), all reported High Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) cases has ended with resolved status and no additional outbreaks after 21 February 2024;


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

**WHEREAS**, based on the evaluation of the Department of Agriculture (DA), the risk of contamination from importing live poultry, 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 including poultry meat, day-old chicks, eggs and semen originating from *Belgium*, and shall be in accordance with existing rules and regulations of the Department of Agriculture;

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

Done this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024.

  
**FRANCISCO P. TIU LAUREL JR.**  
Secretary



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