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MEMORANDUM ORDER

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TO : ALL VETERINARY QUARANTINE OFFICERS AND INSPECTORS

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Officer-in-Charge - Director

DATE : APRIL 7, 2022

SUBJECT : VETERINARY QUARANTINE PROCEDURE FOR THAWED MEAT PRODUCTS OBSERVED DURING FIRST BORDER INSPECTION

1. Imported meat consignments found to have signs of thawing but without signs of putrefaction or spoilage based on the judicious assessment of the Veterinary Quarantine Station (VQS), and which are otherwise in compliant with DA Administrative Order No.9 s.2010, **may be released to the second border** for a more thorough inspection by the NMIS Plant Officer.
2. Prior to release:
 - a. The VQS shall prepare an Incident Report or Notice of Violation using the prescribed forms and shall inform the Bureau of Customs (BOC) district collector of their decision.
 - b. The consignee shall submit a Notarized Affidavit of Undertaking agreeing to the following:
 - i. That the NMIS Plant Officer shall be the one to decide on the appropriate disposition of the whole consignment;
 - ii. That any fees paid in support of the release of the consignment from the first border are already forfeited; and
 - iii. That any and all expenses in connection to the disposition shall be paid by the importer.
3. The full Incident Report or Notice of Violation report and the Affidavit of Undertaking shall be attached to the Request for Inspection (RFI) and/or Veterinary Quarantine Meat Inspection Laboratory Certificate (VQMILC) for the information and guidance of the NMIS Plant Officer.
4. The VQS shall furnish the NVQSD Chief a copy of the full Incident Report or Notice of Violation through the official email (nvqsd@bai.gov.ph) prior to or within the same business day as the release.

For strict compliance.

