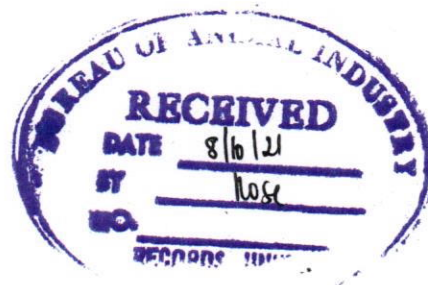




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**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER**

No. 21  
 Series of 2021

**SUBJECT : TEMPORARY EXTENSION OF THE VALIDITY OF SPS IMPORT CLEARANCES FOR IMPORTED MEAT FROM SIXTY (60) DAYS TO NINETY (90) DAYS**

**WHEREAS**, Department of Agriculture (DA) Administrative Order (AO) No. 09, Series of 2010, designated the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI) as the issuing agency of SPS Import Clearances (SPSICs) for animals, animal feeds and feed ingredients, animal products and by-products including meat and meat products, eggs, milk, dairy, veterinary drugs and biological products;

**WHEREAS**, the current global COVID situation and supply contraction of container vans have presented shipping and other logistical difficulties;

**WHEREAS**, the abovementioned difficulties have prompted stakeholders to request for an extension of the validity of the SPSIC for imported food commodities, especially for imported meat;

**WHEREAS**, meat importation contributes to the overall food supply and security of the country.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM D. DAR, Secretary of the Department of Agriculture**, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and existing laws, do hereby order the promulgation of the following:

**EXTENSION OF THE VALIDITY OF THE SPS IMPORT CLEARANCES FOR IMPORTED MEAT FROM SIXTY (60) DAYS TO NINETY (90) DAYS.**

**THIS TEMPORARY EXTENSION WILL BE IN EFFECT FROM DATE OF SIGNING TO DECEMBER 31, 2021.**

Issued this 10th day of August 2021, in Quezon City.

**WILLIAM D. DAR, PhD**  
 Secretary

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