

# WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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## NOTIFICATION

1.	<b>Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>PHILIPPINES</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI), Department of Agriculture (DA)
3.	<b>Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> All cloven hoofed animals, their meat and meat products
4.	<b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> All countries
5.	<b>Title, language and number of pages of the notified document:</b> DA Administrative Order (AO) No. 27, Series of 2003, Implementation of the Eradication Phase of the National Program to Control and Eradicate Foot and Mouth Disease in the Philippines
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> DA AO 27, series 2003, implements the Eradication Phase of the National Program to Control and Eradicate FMD in the Philippines. In order to achieve the main objective of making the Philippines an FMD-free country, the DA sees the need to strengthen the implementation of the different components of the Program such as Monitoring and Surveillance; Communication Management, Animal Movement Management; and Strategic Vaccination.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> [ ] food safety, [ X ] animal health, [ ] plant protection, [ ] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ] protect territory from other damage from pests
8.	<b>International standard, guideline or recommendation:</b> [ ] Codex Alimentarius Commission, [ X ] World Organization for Animal Health, [ ] International Plant Protection Convention, [ ] None <b>If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:</b>
9.	<b>Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> Available in English
10.	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> 22 December 2003
11.	<b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> 22 December 2003
12.	<b>Final date for comments:</b> <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> [ X ] National notification authority, [ X ] National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:

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