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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>PHILIPPINES</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Bureau of Animal Industry, Department of Agriculture
3.	Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable). Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Buffalo meat (02.02) from India
4.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Department of Agriculture (DA) Memorandum Order No. 18, series of 1999: SGS Inspection of Buffalo Meat Export from India to the Philippines (2 pages)
5.	Description of content: Inspection by Société générale de surveillance (SGS) of all buffalo meat exports from India to the Philippines as additional requirement provided in DA Memorandum Circular No. 2, series of 1998.
6.	Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [X] animal health, [] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests
7.	An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist []. If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations: Not applicable
8.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Available in English
9.	Proposed date of adoption: 04 October 1999
10.	Proposed date of entry into force: 04 October 1999
11.	Final date for comments: 3 December 1999 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National notification authority, [X] National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body: Office of the Director, Policy Analysis Service, DA Building, Elliptical Road, Diliman, Quezon City; Fax: (632) 928 0590; E-mail: policy@da.gov.ph
12.	Texts available from: [] National notification authority, [X] National enquiry point or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body: Office of the Director, Bureau of Animal Industry, Visayas Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City; Fax: (632) 926 6883