

LIFTING THE TEMPORARY BAN ON THE IMPORTATION OF LIVE PIGS, SEMEN, PORK, PORK PRODUCTS AND BY-PRODUCTS FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM

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WHEREAS, the Office International des Epizooties (OIE) recognized the restoration of Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD)-free status without vaccination in United Kingdom last January 21, 2002;

WHEREAS, based on the evaluation of the Veterinary Quarantine Services of the Bureau of Animal Industry, the risk of contamination from importing live pigs, semen, pork, pork products and by-products from United Kingdom is negligible;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LEONARDO Q. MONTEMAYOR, Secretary of Agriculture, by the powers vested in me by law, do hereby lift the temporary ban on the importation of live pigs, semen, pork, pork products and by-products from United Kingdom, under the following conditions:

1. The animals came from farms where no clinical signs of any disease were observed.
2. The animals were slaughtered in an approved abattoir for export. Ante-mortem and post-mortem inspections were conducted in the abattoir where the animals were slaughtered, and no disease or any abnormal signs were observed.

All existing rules and regulations, which are inconsistent with this ORDER, are hereby modified, repealed or revoked accordingly.

This ORDER shall take effect immediately.

Adopted: 5 Feb. 2002

(SGD.) LEONARDO Q. MONTEMAYOR
Secretary

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