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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1. Notifying Member: <u>PHILIPPINES</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2. Agency responsible: PILAR MARILYN P. PAGAYUNAN Director IV Center for Food Regulation and Research (CFRR) Food and Drug Administration DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above: GLADDYS ADRIANO-PASCUAL Center for Food Regulation and Research (CFRR) Food and Drug Administration DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH Email: cfr@fda.gov.ph ; gapascual@fda.gov.ph ; addelosangeles@fda.gov.ph
3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], 3.2 [], 7.2 [], other :
4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Processed food and other food products
5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: DOH Draft Administrative Order Revised Rules and Regulations on the Licensing of Food Establishments and Registration of Processed Food, and Other Food Products, and for Other Purposes Repealing Administrative Order 2014-0029; (43 page(s), in English)
6. Description of content: This Order aims to: 1. Amend certain provisions of AO 2014-0029 in the licensing of food establishments and registration of food products to adopt the new system of application aligned with existing national laws, programs, policies and consistent with adopted international standards and best practices. 2. Comply with the objectives of RA No. 8792 or the "Electronic Commerce Act of 2000" and any other relevant laws. 3. To align with the requirements of ASEAN Sectoral Mutual Recognition Arrangement (MRA) for Inspection and Certification Systems on Food Hygiene for Prepared Foodstuff Products.

7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health or safety
8. Relevant documents: 1. Administrative Order (AO) No. 2014-0029 2. Republic Act (RA) No. 8792 or the Electronic Commerce Act of 2000 3. Republic Act (RA) No. 11032, otherwise known as the Ease of Doing Business and Efficient Government Service Delivery Act of 2018
9. Proposed date of adoption: This Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette or in any national newspaper of general circulation, with three (3) certified copies to be filed with the Office of the National Administrative Register (ONAR) of the UP Law Center. Proposed date of entry into force: This Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette or in any national newspaper of general circulation, with three (3) certified copies to be filed with the Office of the National Administrative Register (ONAR) of the UP Law Center.
10. Final date for comments: 30 April 2022
11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body: Mr. Neil P. Catajay Director Bureau of Philippine Standards Department of Trade and Industry 3F Trade and Industry Building 361 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue Makati City Philippines (632) 751 4700; (632) 7913128 bps@dti.gov.ph http://www.bps.dti.gov.ph https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/TBT/PHL/22_3044_00_e.pdf