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MEMORANDUM ORDER

No. 06 Series of 2023

TO

: ALL REVIEWERS, ENDORSERS AND APPROVER OF SPSIC FOR LIVE

ANIMALS, PRODUCTS AND BY PRODUCTS

FROM

DATE

: FEBRUARY 28, 2023

SUBJECT

: HOLDING IN ABEYANCE THE REVIEW OF SANITARY PHYTOSANITARY

IMPORT CLEARANCE (SPSIC) REQUESTS FOR ALL **COMMODITIES**

DERIVED FROM CATTLE ORIGINATING FROM BRAZIL

The veterinary authorities of Brazil reported to the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH) on February 23, 2023, that there was an outbreak of Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE) (typing awaiting) in Marabá, Pará last January 18, 2023 affecting domestic cattle as confirmed by their National laboratory, the Laboratorio Federal de Defesa Agropecuária.

Pursuant to the DA Administrative Order No. 9 Series of 2010, only SPSIC applications from countries with no advisory of disease outbreaks, contaminations, and other SPSrelated risks shall be approved. Thus, ALL reviewers, endorsers, and approvers of the SPSIC for live animals, animal products, and by-products are hereby ordered to hold the processing of SPSIC applications of bovine commodities that originate from Brazil.

This memorandum is being issued in view of BAI Memorandum 06 Series of 2022, as precautionary measure, to protect the local population of the country against the disease and the risk to consumers due to BSE's assumed link with the variant Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease (vCJD) in humans.

For strict compliance.