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MEMORANDUM ORDER

NO. 13 Series of 2023

SUBJECT

LIFTING OF MEMORANDUM NO. 623 SERIES OF 2022 "HOLDING IN ABEYANCE REVIEW OF SANITARY PHYTOSANITARY IMPORT CLEARANCE (SPSIC) REQUESTS FOR ALL COMMODITIES DERIVED

FROM POULTRY ORIGINATING FROM SPAIN"

This Bureau, through the issuance of BAI Memorandum No. 623 Series of 2022, issued a temporary hold in abeyance of the review, endorsement and approval of Sanitary Phytosanitary Import Clearance (SPSIC) for all poultry and non-poultry commodities from Spain last 10 August 2022 as preventive measure and response to the reported case of High Pathogenicity Avian Influenza (HPAI) in Spain.

In relation to the above, the Veterinary Authorities of Spain reported to the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH) that all cases of HPAI were closed and resolved last 23 March 2023 as reflected on the WOAH, World Animal Health Information System (WAHIS). In addition, the self-declaration of Spain's freedom from HPAI has already been acknowledged and published by WOAH on their official website.

Thus, in view of the foregoing and upon careful technical assessment of the disease situation in the abovementioned country, BAI Memorandum No. 623 Series of 2022 is hereby lifted, and all evaluators of Sanitary Phytosanitary Import Clearance (SPSIC) are directed to resume the processing of SPSIC applications for all poultry-related commodities from Spain.

This ORDER shall be effective immediately. All other Memoranda inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this 18th day of April 2023.