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MEMORANDUM ORDER No. <u>45</u> Series of 2024

## SUBJECT: LIFTING THE TEMPORARY BAN ON THE IMPORTATION OF LIVE CATTLE, MEAT AND MEAT PRODUCTS, BOVINE PROCESSED ANIMAL PROTEINS AND SEMEN DERIVED FROM CATTLE ORIGINATING FROM *The United Kingdom*

**WHEREAS,** the Philippines has imposed DA Memorandum Order No. 20 Series 2024, temporarily banning the importation of live cattle, meat and meat products, bovine processed animal proteins and semen derived from cattle originating from *the United Kingdom*;

**WHEREAS,** several documentary requirements were requested by the Philippines to the veterinary authorities of *the United Kingdom* in order to assess the public health control measures applied and implemented;

**WHEREAS,** based on the official report of *the United Kingdom* in the WOAH, the case has ended with resolved status and no additional outbreaks after 07 August 2024;

**WHEREAS,** upon careful evaluation of the submitted documents and relevant information, none of the products from the case of BSE has entered the production system nor has been exported to the Philippines;

**WHEREAS**, *the United Kingdom* competent authorities also provided evidence to show that food safety measures are in place in different accredited FMEs and are equivalent to the guidelines established by the Philippines;

**WHEREAS**, as a country recognized in WOAH with negligible BSE risk, the acceptance of all in-transit and incoming shipments from *the United Kingdom* may commence provided with verified equivalence from *the United Kingdom* Veterinary Authority;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** this Order is hereby issued to lift the temporary ban on the importation of live cattle, meat and meat products, bovine processed animal proteins and semen derived from cattle originating from *the United Kingdom*. All import transactions of the above commodities shall be in accordance with existing rules and regulations of the Department of Agriculture;

This **ORDER** shall take effect immediately and shall remain enforced unless revoked in writing. All orders inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

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Done this 11th day of 0000000 2024.

FRANCISCO P. TIU LAUREL JR. Secretary