

[DA ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 1, January 20, 1995]

RULES GOVERNING THE IMPORTATION OF MEAT PRODUCTS IN AUSTRALIA

WHEREAS, the Department of Agriculture Philippine Mission in Australia after a thorough investigation and evaluation of the meat processing procedures, quality assurance and disease situation in the country found favorable conditions that merit allowing the importation of processed meat products from Australia pursuant to Memorandum Order No. 95 and Administrative Order No. 23;

WHEREAS, certain conditions are set up to allow such importation of processed meat products;

WHEREAS, only the specified Australian Quarantine Inspection Service (AQIS) accredited meat processing plant stated below is allowed to export processed meat products to the Philippines:

SOUTHERN COUNTRY FOODS PTY. LTD.:

WHEREAS, all importations of processed meat products shall be accompanied by:

- a. Veterinary Quarantine Clearance/Permit signed by the Secretary of the Department of Agriculture or his duly authorized representatives and have complied with the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI) and National Meat Inspection Commission (NMIC) rules and regulations;
- b. Health Certificate issued by the Australian Quarantine Inspection Service; and
- c. Other relevant certification on drug, pesticide and hormonal residues and heavy metal contaminants as the need arises;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROBERTO S. SEBASTIAN, Secretary of the Department of Agriculture, do hereby issue the above stated set of guidelines governing the importation of processed meat products from Australia, do hereby issue the above stated set of guidelines governing the importation of processed meat products from Australia.

All orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof, which are in conflict with the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

Adopted: 20 Jan. 1995