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**TO : ALL CONCERNED**

**FROM : THE OIC - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

**SUBJECT : PUBLIC ADVISORY REGARDING THE ILLEGAL TRADING OF IMPORTED PORK FROM GERMANY**

The National Meat Inspection Service (NMIS) Regional Technical Operation Center (RTOC) National Capital Region (NCR) Enforcement Section seized an illegal trading of imported frozen pork from Germany (Brand: Tönnies); these products were loaded in an NMIS accredited Meat Transport Vehicle (MTV). Pork products from Germany have been banned from entering the Philippines since 14 September 2020 through the Department of Agriculture (DA) Memorandum Order No. 43 Series of 2020 "Temporary Ban on the Importation of Domestic and Wild Pigs and their Products and By-Products including Pork Meat, Pig Skin, Porcine Processed Animal Proteins and Semen Originating from Germany".

With this, the NMIS warns the public not to buy imported meat that are sourced from countries that are banned or delisted or not accredited to export meat into the Philippines as this is violation of Rule 33.2 of the DA Department Circular (DC) No. 01 Series of 2014 "Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act (RA) No. 9296, Otherwise Known as "the Meat Inspection Code of the Philippines", as Amended by RA No. 10536"

*Rule 33.2 Meat and meat products found to be illegally imported, undocumented and illegally shipped are considered "hotmeat" and shall be confiscated, destroyed and disposed of properly following the NMIS prescribed procedures.*

The NMIS also warns that unauthorized persons found or caught illegally trading imported meat from banned countries is punishable under RA No. 9296 as amended by RA No. 10536, and Its Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR).

***DA DC No. 01 Series of 2014***

*Section 56. Fines and Penalties - Any person who commits violations of any of the provisions of this Act, or shall commit any of the prohibited acts mentioned under Sections 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53 and 54 under Chapter XII of Republic Act No. 9296, or shall sell, transport, offer or receive for sale or transportation in commerce hot meat as herein defined, upon conviction, shall be punished by imprisonment of not less than six (6) years and one (1) day but not more than twelve (12) years or a fine of not less than One Hundred Thousand Pesos (P100,000.00) but not more than One Million Pesos (P1,000,000.00) or both such fine and imprisonment upon discretion of the court.*

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To ensure safe meat for all, please report any trade of meat from banned countries to NMIS through the following details:

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For reference, the List of Countries with Temporary Bans can be accessed at:

- a) Annex 1 “List of Countries with Temporary Bans on Importation of Meat” of the Memorandum for the Secretary dated 14 January 2022 “Updated DA List of Accredited Countries and Foreign Meat Establishments Approved to Export Meat into the Philippines (As of 29 December 2021)”  
([nmis.gov.ph/images/pdf/accredited\\_list/2022/jan/12292021\\_FME.pdf](http://nmis.gov.ph/images/pdf/accredited_list/2022/jan/12292021_FME.pdf)), or
- b) Issued DA Memorandum Orders on temporary ban  
([da.gov.ph/laws-and-issuances/memorandum-orders/](http://da.gov.ph/laws-and-issuances/memorandum-orders/))

For your guidance and cooperation.

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