

Republic of the Philippines **DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE** Office of the Secretary Elliptical Road, Diliman, Quezon City

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Subject

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MANDATORY IDENTIFICATION AND REGISTRY OF DOGS AND CATS IMPORTED INTO AND EXPORTED FROM THE PHILIPPINES

In order to ensure the proper identification of these animals in the country, an identification and registry system is hereby instituted and required. It shall be registered with the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI) consistent with animal welfare considerations and registry requirements.

It shall be instituted for all dogs and cats that are intended for import into the country and exported as breeders and pets using the microchip technology. The BAI shall provide the framework for the registration procedures and requirements.

This mandatory identification and registry of dogs and cats imported into and exported from the Philippines shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication in the official gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

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