



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Health
FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION



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FDA ADVISORY
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TO: ALL CONCERNED ESTABLISHMENTS

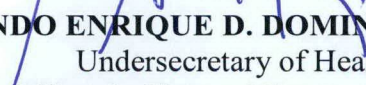
SUBJECT: ADVISORY ON THE USE OF RAW PORK MEAT IN THE PROCESSING OF PORK MEAT PRODUCTS

With reference to the confirmation of the outbreak of African Swine Fever (ASF) in the country, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) hereby enjoins all concerned establishments, especially manufacturers of processed pork meat products, to ensure that **only carcass/ meat from National Meat Inspection Service (NMIS) accredited slaughterhouses or abattoirs** shall be utilized in the manufacturing of pork meat products.

Likewise, those establishments acquiring raw pork meats from wet markets, meat shops, groceries, and other meat outlets are reminded to purchase only those that have been inspected and permitted by NMIS inspectors, veterinary inspectors or Meat Control Officers.

Although ASF virus is not considered a zoonotic disease (disease of animal transferable to humans), all establishments are ordered to support the government's efforts on ASF disease detection, surveillance, and control measures in order to prevent the further spread of the disease that poses a great impact to the swine industry.

Dissemination of the above information to all concerned is requested.


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