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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

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FROM : **OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR**

SUBJECT : **REQUEST FOR APPROVAL AND ENDORSEMENT OF THE
 PHILIPPINE NATIONAL STANDARD (PNS) FOR THE CODE OF
 PRACTICE (COP) FOR THE REDUCTION OF HYDROCYANIC ACID
 (HCN) IN CASSAVA AND CASSAVA PRODUCTS**

DATE : **NOVEMBER 09, 2020**

Our Bureau has revised the Philippine National Standards (PNS) Code of Practice (COP) for the Reduction of Hydrocyanic Acid (HCN) in Cassava and Cassava Products. The revised draft standard provides the production processes and measures to prevent and/or reduce concentrations of HCN in cassava and its products.

The said standard was reviewed through a series of workshops and meetings. It was also presented in a public consultation conducted in NCR with attendance from various stakeholders of the government, private sector, academe, and NGO.

As a concluding step for the revision of the PNS COP for the Reduction of HCN in Cassava and Cassava Products, we are submitting the revised draft standard for your approval and consequent endorsement to the Bureau of Philippine Standards (BPS) for appropriate numbering and inclusion in the PNS repository.

For your perusal, Sir.

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APPROVED/DISAPPROVED:

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