

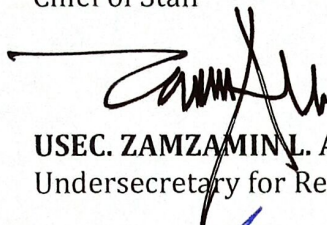


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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

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FROM : **OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR**

SUBJECT : **REQUEST FOR APPROVAL AND ENDORSEMENT OF THE
PHILIPPINE NATIONAL STANDARD (PNS) ON THE CODE OF
PRACTICE FOR THE PROCESSING OF SHRIMPS AND PRAWNS,
LOBSTERS, CEPHALOPODS, AND MINCED FISH**

DATE : **NOVEMBER 4, 2020**

The DA-Bureau of Agriculture and Fisheries Standards (BAFS) has adopted the following Codex Standards as Philippine National Standards (PNS):

1. Code of Practice for the processing of shrimps and prawns
2. Code of Practice for the processing of lobsters
3. Code of Practice for the processing of cephalopods
4. Code of Practice for the processing of minced fish

The adoption is part of the bureau's commitment on harmonizing internationally-recognized standards including those of codex. This covers the production, storage, and handling of fish and fishery products. These codes aim to ensure the hygienic production

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of fish and fishery products to meet health and safety requirements and assist those who are engaged in the handling and production of fish and fishery products or are concerned with their storage, distribution, export or import and sale in attaining safe and wholesome products that can be sold on national or international markets.


The said standards were reviewed through a series of meetings and presented to a public consultations conducted online through a virtual platform, with attendance from various stakeholders of the government, private sector, academe, and NGO.

As a concluding step for the revision of the above mentioned PNS, we are submitting the final draft standards 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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11/16/2020

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