

**[ BPI SPECIAL QUARANTINE ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. NO. 01-A, S. 2011, August 08, 2011 ]**

**AMENDMENT OF SECTIONS 2 AND 5 OF THE BPI SPECIAL QUARANTINE ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 1, SERIES OF 2007 ENTITLED "DECLARING THE PROVINCE OF DAVAO DEL SUR AS AREA FREE FROM MANGO PULP WEEVIL (STERNOCHETUS FRIGIDUS) AND MANGO SEED WEEVIL (STERNOCHETUS MANGIFERAE)"**

**WHEREAS**, BPI Special Quarantine Administrative Order No. 1, Series of 2007 declared the Province of Davao del Sur as Area Free from Mango Pulp Weevil (*Sternochetus frigidus*) and Mango Seed Weevil (*Sternochetus mangiferae*);

**WHEREAS**, the Section of the said BPI Special Quarantine Administrative Order No. 1, Series of 2007 provided that—

"SECTION 2. The movement, transfer and carrying of mango planting materials, fruits or parts thereof into the Province of Davao Del Sur is hereby **prohibited**. Provided however, that the movement, transfer and carrying of the said mango planting materials, fruits or parts thereof may be **allowed** in limited quantity and for experimental purposes only, subject to the condition that a permit for such purpose is first secured from the Director of Bureau of Plant Industry or his/her duly authorized representative."

**WHEREAS**, while the aforesaid section mandates a **prohibition** it nevertheless provided therefrom certain quantities of transport thereby confusing, if not contradicting, the very tenor of said prohibition which could cause confusion and probable misunderstanding in its observance and implementation;

**WHEREAS**, mango trading in Davao del Sur cannot be totally limited/prohibited entry because there is no other way coming from North Cotabato, Sarangani and General Santos going to Davao del Norte to promote expansion of mango exports.

**WHEREAS**, Section 5 of the AO No. 1 provides a penal clause, in order that it be in accord with the provisions of PD 1433, there is also a need to restate said provision pursuant to the provisions of Section 23 in relation to the powers granted to the Director of the Bureau of Plant Industry under the said Decree;

**WHEREAS**, to avoid the aforesaid probable confusion that may be ascribed from the policy under the aforesaid BPI Special Quarantine Administrative Order No 1, Series of 2007 and to express more accurately its purposes for the exigency of the service pursuant 1433 there is a need to clarify and amend its provisions;