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SUGAR ORDER NO. 4
Series 2015-2016

SUBJECT : FILLING UP THE UNITED STATES SUGAR QUOTA AND EXPORT REPLACEMENT PROGRAM FOR CROP YEAR 2015-2016

WHEREAS, Sugar Order No. 1, Series of 2015-16 provides for a 100% "B" or Domestic Sugar Market allocation of sugar produced in the current Crop Year 2015-16;

WHEREAS, the United States recently announced the Raw Sugar Quota for Fiscal Year 2016 at 1,117,195 metric tons raw value (MTRV) with the Philippines getting its regular allocation of 135,508 metric tons commercial weight:

WHEREAS, it is to the national interest that the Philippines export to the United States under its sugar quota allocation while ensuring sufficient supply of sugar for the domestic market for the crop year;

WHEREAS, latest production figures for the crop year show raw sugar production may be lower than the initial production estimate of 2.27 million tons;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 18, Series of 1986 provides that the Sugar Regulatory Administration (SRA) has the power and function to establish domestic, export and reserve allocations in order to attain the objective of establishing and maintaining such balanced relation between production and requirement of sugar;

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in the Sugar Regulatory Administration, the following is hereby ordered:

Section 1. Eligibility of Previous Years "A" Quedans. All "A" or U.S. Sugar Quota sugar quedan-permits issued in previous crop years are eligible for shipment under the U.S. Quota Year 2015-16, provided, that the "A" or U.S. Quota sugar quedan-permits are verified and reinstated.

1.1 Application for verification shall begin upon issuance of this Order. The deadline for verification shall be no later than **January 4, 2016**. "A" or U.S. Quota sugar quedan-permits of previous crop years not verified by this date shall remain homeless, non-negotiable, ineligible for shipment under the U.S. Sugar Quota Year 2015-16, and cannot be withdrawn from the mill unless authorized by the SRA.

1.2 "A" or U.S. Sugar Quota sugar quedan-permits for verification and reinstatement shall be subject to a reinstatement fee of P 30.00/LKg-bag.

"A" quedans which had been converted to "B" under Sugar Order No.11, Series of 2014-2015 are not eligible for export under this program.

Section 2. Eligibility of "B" Quedans for U.S. Export. In the event the volume of reinstated "A" sugar is not sufficient to fill up the allocation of the Philippines, locally-produced, original "B" or Domestic Market sugar/quedans for Crop Year 2015-16 and for two previous crop years (Crop Years 2013-14 and 2014-15) shall be eligible for shipment to the U.S. Sugar Quota. Provided, the export of "B" sugar to the U.S. shall be open and voluntary to any sugar planter, planters association/cooperative, mill/refinery, mill/refinery association, industrial user of sugar, and



