FISHERIES ADMINISTRATIVE) ORDER NO. $\underline{189}$: Series of $\underline{1993}$

SUBJECT: Prohibiting the importation of live shrimp and prawn of all stages

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 4 and 7 of Presidential Decree No. 704, as amended, the following rules and regulations for the prevention of the introduction and spread of exotic disease agents which may endanger the prawn industry are hereby promulgated:

SECTION 1. **Prohibition**. - It shall be unlawful for any person, association, cooperative, partnership, or corporation to import live shrimp and prawn of all stages: **Provided**, however, that the Director of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources with the approval of the Secretary of Agriculture, may grant a special permit to import live shrimp and prawn for scientific and/or educational purposes, subject to such conditions as the Director of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources may deem wise to impose.

SEC. 2. **Penal clause**. Violation of this Order shall subject the offender to a fine of from five hundred pesos (P 500) to five thousand pesos (P 5,000) or imprisonment from six (6) months to four (4) years, or both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the Court: **Provided**, however, that the Director of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources is hereby empowered to impose upon the offender an administrative fine of not more than five thousand pesos (P 5,000) including the confiscation of the imported shrimp and prawn in favor of the Bureau.

SEC. 3. **Effectivity.** - This Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette and/or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

this 10th day of December 1993 in Quezon City, Philippines.

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