

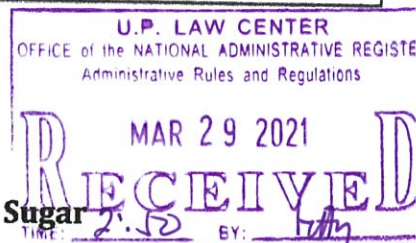


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SUGAR ORDER NO. 1-A
Series of 2020-21

SUBJECT: Amending Sugar Order No. 1, Series of 2020-21 RE: Sugar Policy for Crop Year 2020-2021



WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order No. 18 dated 28 May 1986 which provides the Sugar Regulatory administration (SRA) the power and function to establish domestic, export and reserve allocations, SRA issued Sugar Order No. 1 Series of 2020-21 on Sugar Policy for Crop Year 2020-2021;

WHEREAS, based on SRA Pre-Milling Estimate of production for Crop Year 2020-21 of 2.190 million metric tons, Sugar Order (SO) No. 1, Series of 2020-21 allocated raw sugar production for the crop year as follows:

"A" or U.S. Market Sugar	7%
"B" or Domestic Sugar Market	93%
Total	100%

WHEREAS, La Niña was more severe than initially expected that it brought heavy rains in all sugar producing regions even flooding in several sugarcane fields in Negros Occidental in particular, Silay, EB Magalona, Victorias, Manapla and Cadiz, and from the latest report of PAG-ASA, La Niña is expected to last longer than previously reported;

WHEREAS, because of La Niña sugar content in cane determined through 50-kilo bag sugar per ton cane (LKg/TC) is substantially lower, from 1.87 LKg/TC estimated national average for the crop year in SRA Pre-Milling Estimate to 1.71 LKg/TC actual national average as of March 14, 2021;

WHEREAS, the drop in LKg/TC eclipsed the increase in sugarcane tonnage this crop year, which is higher by 8% (as of March 7, 2021) from tonnage for the same week-ending last crop year;

WHEREAS, as consequence for the drop in LKg/TC, SRA in its Final Crop Estimate for CY 2020-21 revised sugar production for the crop year to 2.101 million metric tons, from 2.190 million metric tons;

WHEREAS, Section 3 of SO No. 1, Series of 2020-21 states that *SRA shall undertake assessment of the Crop Year 2020-2021 sugar production and withdrawals trend and on the basis of such assessment, SRA may from time to time adjust the percentage allocation/distribution of different classes of sugar as provided in this Sugar Order and/or take the necessary action to address the situation;*



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WHEREAS, SRA has informed stakeholders about the drop in estimated production for the crop year, who in turn have given SRA their recommendation/s on how to address the situation;

NOW, THEREFORE, under and by virtue of the authority vested in the Sugar Regulatory Administration, it is hereby ordered that:

Section 1: The sugar allocation in Sugar Order No. 1, Series of 2020-2021 is hereby amended as follows:

"B" or Domestic Sugar Market	100%
Total	100%

Section 2: This Sugar Order shall take effect immediately covering sugar production of week ending 4 April 2021 and subsequent week endings of Crop Year 2020-2021.

Section 3: Provisions of Sugar Orders, Circular Letters and other rules and regulations inconsistent with or contrary to this Sugar Order are hereby amended, modified, repealed or revoked accordingly.

APPROVED BY:




SECRETARY WILLIAM D. DAR
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