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Excellency,

Subject: Cassava Import Control Measure

Kindly refer to the approval by the Cabinet dated 26 February 2019 on the cassava import control measure with an aim to prevent the spread of Cassava Mosaic Virus into the Kingdom of Thailand. With this measure, the border checkpoint for cassava import into Thailand has been settled which allows authorities concerned including Customs and Plant Quarantine Stations to be able to intensely inspect the cassava phytosanitary prior to arrival into the country.

On behalf of The Department of Foreign Trade, I would like to notify to Your Excellency regarding the list of border checkpoints for cassava import into the Kingdom of Thailand as attached. Estimate to be effected within March 2019, the cassava import into the country must be imported through the border checkpoints as presented in the list. I would like to underline that this measure, a preventive measure for the spread of Cassava Mosaic Virus, is not a trade barriers, but rather to protect plant life and health, which is in accordance with the practice of international trade agreements.

In this connection, I would greatly appreciate it if Your Excellency would convey the grounds and the necessities of the aforesaid measure to all related parties; such as, cassava farmers, and cross-border entrepreneurs. I am confident that your cooperation and assistance will be further strengthened the relations between the Kingdom of Thailand and the Lao People's Democratic Republic.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(Mrs. Manatsanith Jirawat)

Deputy Director-General

For Director-General

Enclosures: List of Border Checkpoints for Cassava import into the Kingdom of Thailand

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List of Cassava Border Checkpoints
For Cassava import to the Kingdom of Thailand (from Lao PDR)

Provinces	Border Checkpoints
Buengkan	Buengkan District
Chiang Rai	Friendship Bridge 4
Loei	Nam Hueang Friendship Bridge
Mukdahan	Friendship Bridge 2
Nakhon Phanom	Friendship Bridge 3
Nan	Ban Huai Kon
Nong khai	Friendship Bridge
Phayao	Ban Huag
Ubon Ratchathani	Chongmek
Uttaradit	Phu Doo

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