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THE GENERAL PUBLIC

SUBJECT:

Public Health Warning Against the Purchase and Consumption of the following Unregistered Food Products:

- 1. ALING TINDING'S Hot Chilli Peanut
- 2. PINOY PICA-PICA Banana Chips
- 3. CHRYTE'S Kitchen Pastil Spicy and Classic Flavor
- 4. PURE WILD HONEY From the Mountains of Lake Sebu, T'Boli
- 5. TOHATO Smile Harvest Sesame Biscuit

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) warns the public from purchasing and consuming the following unregistered food products:



Figure 1. Unregistered ALING TINDING'S Hot Chilli Peanut

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Figure 2. Unregistered PINOY PICA-PICA Banana Chips



Figure 3. Unregistered CHRYTE'S Kitchen Pastil – Spicy and Classic Flavor



Figure 4. Unregistered PURE WILD HONEY From the Mountains of Lake Sebu, T'Boli



Figure 5. Unregistered TOHATO Smile Harvest Sesame Biscuit

The FDA verified through post-marketing surveillance that the abovementioned food products are not authorized and the Certificates of Product Registration have not been issued. Pursuant to the Republic Act No. 9711, otherwise known as the "Food and Drug Administration Act of 2009", the manufacture, importation, exportation, sale, offering for sale, distribution, transfer, non-consumer use, promotion, advertising or sponsorship of health products without the proper authorization is prohibited.

Since these unregistered food products have not gone through evaluation process of the FDA, the agency cannot assure their quality and safety. The use of such violative products may pose health risks to consumers.

In light of the foregoing, the public is advised not to purchase the aforementioned violative products. Moreover, the public is advised to always check if a food product is registered with the FDA. The FDA website (www.fda.gov.ph) has a *Search* feature which may be used by typing in the name of the product before purchasing.

All concerned establishments are warned not to distribute violative food products until they have been issued the appropriate authorization, a License to Operate (LTO) for the establishment, and a CPR for the food product.

All FDA Regional Field Offices and Regulatory Enforcement Units, in coordination with law enforcement agencies and Local Government Units, are requested to ensure that violative products are not sold or made available in the market or areas of jurisdiction.

Kindly contact the FDA Center for Food Regulation and Research through e-mail at cfrr@fda.gov.ph, or call (02) 8857-1900 loc. 8112 & 8104.

To report any sale or distribution of unregistered food product, the online reporting facility, **eReport** can be accessed at **www.fda.gov.ph/ereport**.

Dissemination of this advisory to all concerned is hereby requested.

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