



Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Health  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY  
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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER  
No. 10 s. 1997

**SUBJECT : WAIVER OF TEST ANALYSIS ON ANTIBIOTICS PREPARATIONS  
AND LIST B PRIME DRUGS**

To strengthen the procurement and payment procedures on the claims of suppliers from the Department of Health and to avoid complaints for the undue delay in the payment of drugs to the suppliers, all officials and personnel involved in the procurement process are hereby directed to observe the following steps/procedures:

1. Authenticated/Verified antibiotics preparations which have batch certification issued BFAD per AO # 141s. 1971 prior to the marketing of said items may no longer be subject to test analysis. Likewise, drugs and medicines under the list B Prime which have undergone Bioavailability and Bioequivalence are not also subject to test.
2. Under the circumstances, the DOH waives the test analysis pursuant to COA Circular No. 83-195-A dated July 6, 1983 under Section 2b which quotes:

"When the product has been previously tested as evidence by the laboratory report Certified by the government laboratory concerned, which shall be valid for six (6) months form the date of test. In cases where the original of the laboratory report is not available, a xerox copy, duly authenticated by the government laboratory concerned, may be accepted. The Audit shall keep a file of the reports for future references".

3. The waiver of the test shall be indicated on the original of the order invoice and the inspection report, thus:

"WAIVER OF TEST: Pursuant to Section 2b of COA Circular No. 83-195-A dated July 6, 1983".

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