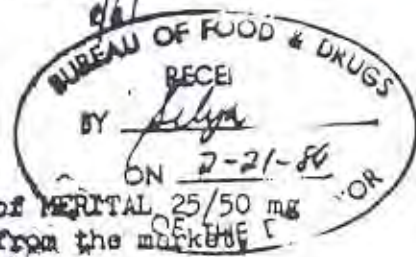


REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
Ministry of Health
BUREAU OF FOOD AND DRUGS
Manila

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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
NO. 147 s. 1986



SUBJECT: Banning and withdrawal of MERITAL 25/50 mg
CAPSULES (NOMIFENSINE) from the market

Nomifensine which is marketed as MERITAL is an anti-depressant drug and has gained widespread clinical usage,

However, the drug has been reported to cause severe cases of haemolytic anemia as its side effect which led to the voluntary recall of the product worldwide from the market.

O R D E R

1. In the interest of consumer protection MERITAL 25/50 mg CAPSULES (NOMIFENSINE) is no longer registrable.
2. Henceforth, the registration of the above-mentioned product is hereby recalled and cancelled.
3. All existing stocks from drugstores, hospitals etc. should be recalled by the importer/distributor and destroyed in the presence of BFAD Inspector.

This Order takes effect immediately.

Recommended by:

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