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TO: THE GENERAL PUBLIC

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

- 1. GERBER ORGANIC MIXED CARROTS**
- 2. MATERNE GOGO SQUEEZ APPLEAPPLE**
- 3. SPROUT ORGANIC BABY FOOD APPLE OATMEAL WITH CINNAMON**
- 4. NUMI ORGANIC PU-ERH GINGER PU-ERH**
- 5. KIRKLAND SIGNATURE PURE VANILLA EXTRACT**
- 6. LA CHOY SWEET & SOUR SAUCE**
- 7. MARINELLI'S GOLD MEDAL 100% APPLE JUICE**
- 8. ARROWHEAD 100% MOUNTAIN SPRING WATER**
- 9. KIRKLAND SIGNATURE PURIFIED WATER WITH MINERALS ADDED FOR TASTE**
- 10. KIRKLAND SIGNATURE CHUNK LIGHT SKIPJACK TUNA IN WATER**

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) advises the public against the purchase and consumption of the following unregistered food products:



Figure 1. Unregistered Gerber Organic Mixed Carrots



Figure 2: Unregistered Materne GoGo Squeez AppleApple





Figure 3. Unregistered Sprout Organic Baby Food
Apple Oatmeal with Cinnamon



Figure 4. Unregistered NUMI
Organic Pu-erh GINGER PU.ERH



Figure 5. Unregistered Kirkland Signature
Pure Vanilla Extract



Figure 6. Unregistered La Choy
Sweet & Sour Sauce



Figure 7. Unregistered Marinellis Gold Medal 100% Apple Juice



Figure 8. Unregistered Arrowhead 100% Mountain Spring Water



Figure 9. Unregistered Kirkland Signature Purified Water w/ minerals added for taste



Figure 8. Unregistered Kirkland Signature Chunk Light Skipjack Tuna in Water

FDA post-marketing surveillance (PMS) activities have verified that the abovementioned food products have not gone through the registration process of the agency and have not been issued the proper authorization in the form of Certificate of Product Registration. Pursuant to 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 from FDA is prohibited.

Accordingly, since unregistered food products have not gone through evaluation and testing process of the FDA, the agency cannot guarantee their quality and safety. The consumption of such violative products may pose potential health hazard to the consuming public. Food products including food supplements should not bear any misleading, deceptive, and false claims in their labels and/or any promotional materials that will provide erroneous impression on products' character or identity.


In light of the above, the public is advised not to purchase the aforementioned violative products. Moreover, the public is advised to be vigilant against food products that might not be duly registered with FDA. Always check if a food product has been registered with FDA before purchasing it by making use of the embedded *Search* feature of the FDA website accessible at www.fda.gov.ph.

All concerned establishments are warned not to distribute the above-identified violative food products until they have already been covered by the appropriate authorization (product registration), otherwise, regulatory actions and sanctions shall be strictly pursued.

All Local Government Units (LGUs) and Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAs) are requested to ensure that these products are not sold or made available in their localities or areas of jurisdiction.

For more information and inquiries, please e-mail us at info@fda.gov.ph. To report continuous sale or distribution of the above unregistered food products and food supplement, utilize our online reporting facility, **eReport**, at www.fda.gov.ph/ereport, or e-mail us via report@fda.gov.ph, or call us at the Center for Food Regulation and Research (CFRR) hotline (02) 857-1991 to 93.

Dissemination of the information to all concerned is requested.


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