

Republic of the Philippines Department of Health FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION



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SUBJECT: FDA ACTION TO ENSURE SAFETY OF IMPORTED FOOD PRODUCTS

In view of the recent nuclear plant crisis in Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant in Japan, the Department of Health-Food and Drug Administration is closely coordinating with the Philippine Nuclear Research Institute which is the agency tasked with the monitoring of the radiation level of the environment as well as food.

FDA is now sampling locally available imported food products from Japan to measure baseline radioactivity level as this supply was procured before the current crisis.

According to PNRI, there is no risk of the Philippines being affected by the radioactive plume. The public is advised therefore not to be alarmed about possible radiation arising from Fukushima accident.

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