

FDA ADVISORY
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**TO : THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND OTHER CONCERNED
STAKEHOLDERS**

**SUBJECT : Public Health Warning Against the Sale, Offer for Sale,
and Purchase of Unnotified Cosmetic Products**

Pursuant to Book II, Article 1, Section 1 (a) of the Rules and Regulations Implementing Republic Act No. 9711, otherwise known as the "Food and Drug Administration Act of 2009", the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) prohibits the manufacture, importation, exportation, sale, offering for sale, distribution, transfer, non-consumer use, promotion, advertising or sponsorship of any health product without the proper authorization from the FDA.

The public is hereby advised to practice discernment and caution in purchasing cosmetic products through various distribution channels. The FDA hereby warns against purchasing any unnotified or violative cosmetic products that may be sold or offered for sale through unofficial channels, physical and online platforms. Such products did not undergo a review by the FDA nor by a local marketing authorization holder, to check compliance with quality and safety standards. To check if a cosmetic product is notified with the FDA, the FDA Verification Portal feature is accessible at <https://verification.fda.gov.ph>.

The FDA further warns concerned establishments not to distribute cosmetic products without the appropriate authorization. The FDA also warns that establishments who participates in the online selling of cosmetic products without prior authorization from by the FDA shall be subject to impossible penalties stipulated in RA No. 9711 and its IRR. The FDA continuously coordinates with online market platforms, such as but not limited to Shopee and Lazada, to ensure compliance to existing laws, rules and regulations governing cosmetic products.

To report any sale, distribution, complaint and/or adverse event on the use of unnotified or violative cosmetic products, please send an **eReport** through info@fda.gov.ph, or call the Center for Cosmetics and Household/Urban Hazardous Substances Regulation and Research (CCHUHSRR) hotline (02) 8857-1900 loc. 8113 or 8107.

Dissemination of this advisory to all concerned is hereby requested.



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