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MEMORANDUM

TO : ALL DISTRICT COLLECTORS
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FROM : **ATTY. EDWARD JAMES A. DY BUCO**
Deputy Commissioner
Assessment and Operations Coordinating Group

SUBJECT : Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Recommendation for
The Release of Donated Food Products from Convoy of
Hope to CONVOY OF HOPE PHILIPPINES, INC.

DATE : 10 January 2023

Forwarding the herein attached letter dated 20 December 2022 addressed to Mr. Luis Jose Raymundo S. Sasuman, Chief of Operations and Finance, Convoy of Hope Philippines, Inc. from Director Pilar Marilyn M. Pagayunan, Center for Food Regulation and Research, FDA, recommending clearance for the release of donated food products from Convoy of Hope to CONVOY OF HOPE PHILIPPINES, INC. with information that the release shall be subject to the following conditions:

1. the products shall have been inspected and cleared by a representative from FDA – Regional Field Office;
2. the clearance shall only be for the release of the products from this Bureau and shall not be construed as an authorization for its distribution, sale, offer for sales, and use;
3. FDA shall not be held liable for any damage, injury, illness, death that may result from the distribution and use of the donated food products; and
4. the clearance is without prejudice to existing tariff rules and customs regulations.

For information and appropriate action.



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20 December 2022

MR. LUIS JOSE RAYMUNDO S. SASUMAN
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Dear Mr. Sasuman:

Please be informed that this Office recommends the release of the following food product donated by Convoy of Hope – 330 S. Patterson Springfield, MO 65802, US to **CONVOY OF HOPE PHILIPPINES, INC.** located at Municipal Nursery, Sta. Rosa 1, Marilao, Bulacan, Philippines:

Product Name	Quantity	Expiry Date
Fortified Rice & Soy Protein Meal	275 cases	February 2024
	554 cases	March 2024
Container Number DFSU 4384295	491 cases	April 2024
Seal UL-4828356		

The release of said donated food products is on the condition that the said product **shall have been inspected and cleared** by a representative from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) – Regional Field Office.

This clearance shall only be for the RELEASE of the product from the Bureau of Customs and shall not be construed as an authorization for its distribution, sale, offer for sales and use. FDA shall not be held liable for any damage, injury, illness, death that may result from the distribution and use of the donated food product.

This clearance is without prejudice to existing tariff rules and customs regulations.

For inspection schedule, please contact the **FDA – Regional Field Office** at rfoncr@fda.gov.ph.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
PILAR MARILYN M. PAGAYUNAN
Director IV
Center for Food Regulation and Research

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