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## MEMORANDUM

**TO :** ALL DISTRICT COLLECTORS  
ALL SUB-PORT COLLECTORS  
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

**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 Rise Against  
Hunger to INTERNATIONAL CARE MINISTRIES  
FOUNDATION, INC. (ICMFI)

**DATE :** 13 February 2023

Forwarding the herein attached letter dated 02 February 2023 from Director Pilar Marilyn M. Pagayunan, Center for Food Regulation and Research, FDA, addressed to Mr. Edgardo Sta. Ana, ICMFI Logistics Manager, International Care Ministries Foundation, Inc. recommending clearance for the release of donated food products from Rise Against Hunger to ICMFI 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 solely 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.

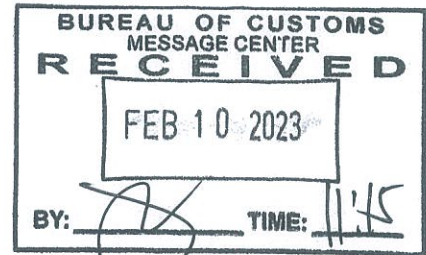


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**FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION**



02 February 2023

**MR. EDGARDO STA. ANA**  
ICMFI Logistics Manager  
**International Care Ministries Foundation, Inc.**  
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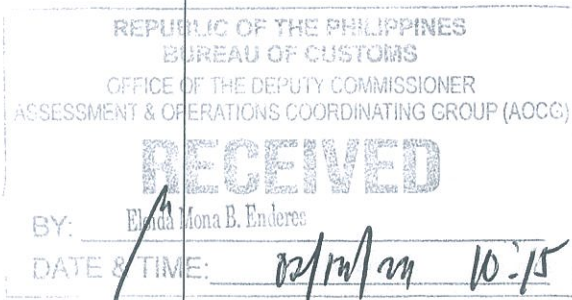


Dear **Mr. Sta. Ana**:

Please be informed that this Office recommends the release of the following food products donated by Rise Against Hunger – 4801 Glenwood Avenue, Suite 200 Raleigh, North Carolina, 27612 USA to **INTERNATIONAL CARE MINISTRIES FOUNDATION, INC.** located at ICM Building, Lizares Avenue, Brgy. 39, Bacolod City:

Product Name	Quantity	Expiry Date
Humanitarian Aid Cargo: Dehydrated Rice-Soy Casseroles	9 boxes	3/1/2024
	32 boxes	3/1/2024
	47 boxes	4/11/2024
	56 boxes	1/3/2024
	159 boxes	3/1/2024
	47 boxes	5/27/2024
	47 boxes	5/27/2024
	81 boxes	4/6/2024
	40 boxes	5/27/2024
	80 boxes	4/8/2024
	47 boxes	3/1/2024
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	47 boxes	5/27/2024
	47 boxes	3/1/2024
	193 boxes	2/24/2024
35 boxes	5/17/2024	

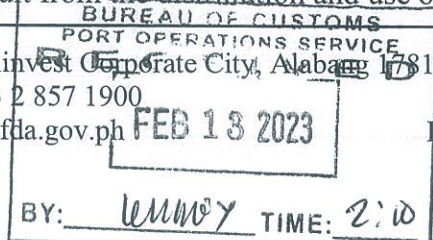
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The release of said donated food products is on the condition that the said product **shall have been inspected and cleared** by a representative from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) – Regional Field Office.

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.

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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](mailto:rfoncr@fda.gov.ph).

Very truly yours,



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Center for Food Regulation and Research

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