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## MEMORANDUM

**TO :** ALL DISTRICT COLLECTORS  
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ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

**FROM :** ~~ATTY. EDWARD JAMES A. DY BUCO~~  
*Ed* Deputy Commissioner  
Assessment and Operations Coordinating Group

**SUBJECT :** Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Recommendation for  
The Release of Donated Food Products from Feed My  
Starving Children to INTERNATIONAL CARE MINISTRIES  
FOUNDATION, INC. (ICMFI)

**DATE :** 10 February 2023

Forwarding the herein attached letter dated 26 January 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 Feed My Starving Children 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.





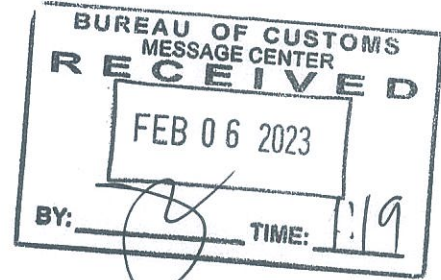
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FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION



26 January 2023



**MR. EDGARDO STA. ANA**  
ICMFI Logistics Manager  
**International Care Ministries Foundation, Inc.**  
ICM Building, Lizares Avenue,  
Brgy. 39, Bacolod City



Dear **Mr. Sta. Ana:**

Please be informed that this Office recommends the release of the following food products donated by Feed My Starving Children -401 93rd Avenue NW Coon Rapids, MN 55433 USA to **INTERNATIONAL CARE MINISTRIES FOUNDATION, INC.** located at ICM Building, Lizares Avenue, Brgy. 39, Bacolod City:

Product Name	Quantity	Expiry Date
MannaPack™ Rice (14-1kg bag) Rice Fortified Rice and Soy Meal (White rice, textured soy protein, dehydrated vegetables, vegetarian flavoring with a vitamin and mineral blend)	1,260 boxes	Earliest of which is January 2025
Container Number MSMU 4157566	Seal Number UL-9718464	

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

Very truly yours,

**PILAR MARILYN M. PAGAYUNAN**  
Director IV  
Center for Food Regulation and Research

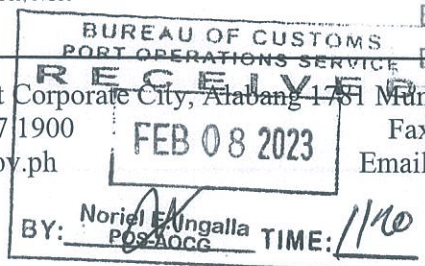
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