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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 Convoy of  
Hope to CONVOY OF HOPE PHILIPPINES, INC.

**DATE :** 26 January 2023

Forwarding the herein attached letter dated 22 December 2022 from Director Pilar Marilyn M. Pagayunan, Center for Food Regulation and Research, FDA, addressed to Mr. Luis Jose Raymundo S. Sasuman, Chief of Operations and Finance, Convoy of Hope Philippines, Inc. 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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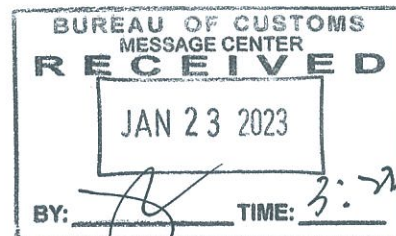
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**MR. LUIS JOSE RAYMUNDO S. SASUMAN**

Chief of Operations and Finance

**Convoy of Hope Philippines, Inc.**

1924, Taft Avenue corner Bernabe Street,  
Brgy. 044, Pasay City



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	176 cases	February 2024
Container Number TRHU 7810358	1,144 cases	April 2024
Seal UL-6560410		

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

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