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**MEMORANDUM**

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

**FROM :**   
 ATTY. VENER S. BAQUIRAN  
 Deputy Commissioner  
 Assessment and Operations Coordinating Group

**SUBJECT :** FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION (FDA)  
 RECOMMENDATION FOR THE RELEASE OF THE  
 PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS DONATED BY DIRECT  
 RELIEF TO THE UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES-MANILA  
 (INSTITUTE OF HUMAN GENETICS)

**DATE :** 29 April 2024

Forwarding the herein attached letter dated 18 March 2024 from Jesusa Joyce N. Cirunay, Rph, Director IV, Center for Drug Regulation and Research, FDA, addressed to Maria Melanie Liberty B. Alcausin, Director, Institute of Human Genetics-University of the Philippines, recommending clearance for the release of the following donated pharmaceutical products from Direct Relief to the **UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES MANILA** (Institute of Human Genetics);

Product Description (Generic/Dosage Strength and Form/Brand)	Batch/Lot No.	Expiry Date	Quantity
Idursulfase [Elaprase] 2mg/ml (6 mg/3ml) Concentrate Solution for IV Infusion <b>Packaging:</b> Type I Clear and Colorless Glass Vial (Box of 1's) <b>Manufactured by:</b> Genzyme Northborough Operations Center-11 Forbes Road Northborough, MA 01532 <b>Storage conditions:</b> Store at temperatures between 2-8°C. Do not Freeze.	DY0373	28 February 2025	728 vials



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It is further informed that the release of the donated pharmaceutical products, intended for patients with lysosomal storage disorders, is on the condition that:

1. the products shall have a shelf-life of not less than 12 months at the time of arrival
2. the labels (primary, secondary, and product information) shall be in the English language; and
3. the clearance is without prejudice to tariff rules and customs regulations.

For information and appropriate action.



Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Health  
FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

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CLEARANCE LETTER

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18 March 2024

MARIA MELANIE LIBERTY B. ALCAUSIN, MD, FPPS

Director

Institute of Human Genetics-University of the Philippines Manila

625 Pedro Gil St., Ermita, Manila Philippines

Subject: Clearance of Foreign Drug Donations



Dear Dr. Alcausin:

Please be informed that this Office recommends clearance for the release of the following products donated by *Direct Relief*- 6100 Wallace Becknell Road, Santa Barbara, CA 93117, United States to *Institute of Human Genetics-University of the Philippines Manila* located at the abovementioned address:

Product Description (Generic/Dosage Strength and Form/Brand)	Batch/Lot No.	Expiry Date	Quantity
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The release of said donated pharmaceutical products, intended for cancer patients, is on the condition that the said products shall have:

1. a shelf-life of not less than 12 months at the time of arrival; and
2. labels (primary, secondary, and product information) in English language.

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

Very truly yours,

By Authority of the Director General:  
Per FDA Order No. 2016-005

JESUSA JOYCE N. CIRUNAY, RPh  
Director IV, Center for Drug Regulation and Research

Amt. Paid: PHP 510.00  
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Date: 05 March 2024

cc: Aleli Annie Grace P. Sudiagal, MD, MPH, CESE  
Director IV, Bureau of International Health Cooperation

Bienvenido Y. Rubio  
Commissioner, Bureau of Customs

