

CLARIFICATION ON A JOY NEWS REPORT “90,000 PACKS OF FAKE ABORTION DRUGS SET TO BE DESTROYED”

The Food and Drugs Authority (FDA) wishes to clarify inaccuracies with regards to a publication carried by Joy News on the “destruction of abortion drugs.”

The FDA wishes to state that it has not received any clearance from the police for the destruction of “abortion” drugs seized from DKT International as the Joy News purports. The statement attributed to Mr. Thomas Amedzro, Head of the Drug Enforcement Department, clearly emphasized that "We (the FDA) need to write officially to the police for the release of the product so that they can also attend and watch the proper safe disposal of the products" This clearly is not a “green light to destroy” the said drugs imported by DKT International.

Furthermore, the FDA wishes to indicate that the drugs illegally imported by DKT and labeled as Misoprostol and Mifepristone were packed in 180 silver pouches (90,000 tablets) but not 90,000 packets as indicated by the news report.

It should however be noted that safe disposals carried out by FDA are routine regulatory procedures and not targeted at medicines from specific companies as the said publication seems to imply.

The publication should therefore be disregarded.

For further and subsequent information or clarification, you can contact the FDA on any of the following numbers; **TOLL FREE - 0800151000 (AIRTEL AND VODAFON), HOT LINES - 0299802932, 0299802933, SMS SHORTCODE – 4015 (ALL NETWORKS) or 0244337235.**