

FDA CLAMPS DOWN ON IMPORTATION OF FAKE PRODUCTS THROUGH UNAPPROVED BOARDERS

The Food and Drugs Authority (FDA) with support from Customs Excise and Preventive Service(CEPS) of the GRA and the Volta Regional task force have impounded 8320 packets of assorted medicines and tobacco products at the Ho, Dabla, Shia, Nyive and Aflao Boarders.

The product, some of which are suspected to be fake, were concealed in cartons and sacks labelled as food products and this was unraveled after thorough inspections and examinations at the borders.

Some of the products found were antibiotics (like, flucloxacillin, penicillin), analgesic and steroid (tramadol, pawafenac, dexamethasone), postinor 2 and test kits (malaria test kits, pregnancy test kits). The identified culprits have been handed over to the police for further investigations.

The Chief Executive Officer of FDA, Mrs. Delese Mimi Darko has directed that surveillance activities at the various entry points be intensified due to the influx of fake products possibly through unapproved entry points.

By regulation, the only approved point of entries for importation of medicines are the Tema Harbour and Kotoka International Airport.

The FDA wishes to state emphatically that, medicines smuggled through unapproved routes will be confiscated and safely disposed at the expense of the owners and additionally, the culprit will be dealt with in accordance with the law.

The general public is encouraged to only purchase medicines from approved health facilities (pharmacies and over the counter medicine shops, hospitals) and also report any adverse effect to any of the following contacts for further investigations.

Hotlines: 0299802932, 0299802933.

Short Code: 4015 (On all networks except GLO)



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JOPAN B-COMPLEX TABLETS AND
APROMED CYPROHEPTADINE
TABLET 4mg

YODI, YOKOBE AND DORCO-DEXA
DEXAMETHASONE TABLETS 0.5mg



PENICILLIN

PHILOGENTA
GENTAMYCIN INJECTION
40mg

PAWAFENAC
DICLOFENAC POTASSIUM TABLETS

POSTINOR 2



DUNHILL AND
MARLBORO
GOLD CIGARETTE
UNCOVERED
DURING
INSPECTION



A TYPICAL PACKAGING STYLE OF TOBACCO
PRODUCT



**HYERGRA 150
SILDENAFIL CITRATE TABLETS**



**SWISHER SWEET
A TOBACCO PRODUCT**