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Notification of the Ministry of Public Health

(No. 264) B.E. 2545 (2002)

Re: Prescribed Prohibited Food to be Produced, Imported, or Sold.

Apparently, patients who are poisoned from consuming puffer fish meat, which contain tetrodotoxin, may cause hazard to death.

By the virtue of provisions of Section 5 and 6(8) of the Food Act B.E. 2522 (1979), in which contain provisions in relation to the restriction of Rights and Liberties of the Persons, in respect of which Section 29 and in conjunction with Section 35, Section 48 and Section 50 of the Constitution of the Kingdom of Thailand so permit by virtue of provisions of law; the Minister of Public Health hereby issues the notification as follows:

Clause 1. Prescribed that all kinds of puffer fish and foods containing puffer fish meat as ingredients to be prohibited foods to be produced, imported, or sold.

Clause 2. This notification shall come into force as from the day following date of its publication in the Government Gazette.

Notified on 19th December 2002.

Signed Sudarat Keyurabhun
(Mrs. Sudarat Keyurabhun)
Minister of Public Health

(Published in the Government Gazette Vol. 119, Special Part 128 Ngor, dated 25th December 2002.)

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Announcement of the Food and Drug Administration.

Re: Clarification of notification of the Ministry of Public Health, Re: Prescribed
Prohibited Foods to be Produced, Imported, or Sold.

Apparently, patients who are poisoned from consuming puffer fish meat, which contain tetrodotoxin, may cause hazard to death. The Ministry of Public Health deems appropriate to prescribed safety measures for consumer protection by issuing the notification of the Ministry of Public Health (No. 264) B.E. 2545 (2002), Re: Prescribed prohibited foods to be produced, imported, or sold, dated 19th December B.E. 2545 (2002), in which the main points are the prohibition of production, import or sale of puffer fish and foods containing puffer fish meat as ingredients, this notification has been published in the Government Gazette: Vol. 119, Special Section 128 Ngor, dated 25th December 2002, which come into force on 26th December 2002 henceforth. And as from the enforcement date of this notification of the Ministry of Public Health, there shall not be any production, import, or sale of puffer fish and foods containing puffer fish meat as ingredients including production for export.

The Food and Drug Administration hereby notifies to public and prescribes to those related producers to strictly follow to this notification. Violators shall be guilty to Section 50 of the Food Act B.E. 2522 (1979) i.e. be imprisoned in jail from six months to two years and be fined from five thousand up to twenty thousand Baht. Should there be any question, please contact Food Control Division of the Food and Drug Administration, the Ministry of Public Health tel. 0-25907322, 0-25907023, or 0-25907175 during office hours.

Notified on 13th January 2003.

Signed Sathaporn Wongcharoen

(Mr. Sathaporn Wongcharoen)

Deputy Food and Drug Administration Secretary-General

Acting for Food and Drug Administration Secretary-General

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