DRUG

NATIONAL AUTHORITY

Safe Drugs Save Lives

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To: All pharmaceutical importers, wholesalers, retailers
All importers, wholesalers, retailers and re-sellers of chemicals

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REGULATION OF CHEMICALS SCHEDULED UNDER THE THIRD SCHEDULE (GROUP II) OF THE NATIONAL DRUG POLICY AND AUTHORITY ACT (CAP 206)

A number of chemicals are listed as drugs in Class C (group II) under the third schedule of the National Drug Policy and Authority Act (Cap 206). These drugs have been found to be illegally accessed by some members of the public and misused. These include, among others:

1. Sulphuric acid
2. Nitric acid
3. Hydrochloric acid
4. Formaldehyde
5. Phosphoric acid
6. Sodium hydroxide
7. Potassium hydroxide.

In exercise of the legal mandate of National Drug Authority, the following measures will be applicable to all chemicals listed above; along with other chemicals scheduled under class C group II of the National Drug Policy and Authority Act; effective 01st July 2018:

1. The chemicals shall prior to be being allowed for sale and distribution within Uganda, be registered by National Drug Authority pursuant to the Regulations on Registration of Drugs, S.I no. 29, 2014.
2. All persons involved in the importation of these chemicals shall be required to obtain importation approval from National Drug Authority, pursuant to the Regulations on importation and exportation of drugs, S.I no. 34, 2014.
3. All premises within which the businesses of storage, sale and distribution of these chemicals are undertaken shall be required to be licensed by National Drug Authority pursuant to the Regulations on Licensing, S.I no. 35, 2014.

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4. All premises shall be required to maintain an accurate record of persons/entities to which these chemicals have been supplied in accordance with Good Distribution Practices. These records shall be available for inspection by an inspector of drugs at all reasonable times.

A detailed guidance has been developed in consultation with stakeholders and is accessible at http://www.nda.or.ug.

For more information and clarification, please contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,

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