



SUSPENSION OF ALL MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS FROM CHINA

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AVA had earlier issued a consumer advisory on 17 September 2008 about the recall of "Yili Brand" Choice Dairy Fruit Bar Yogurt Flavoured Ice Confection" based on Hong Kong's findings of melamine contamination in such products. We had taken samples of the product for testing and subsequently found two samples to be contaminated with melamine. All stocks of "Yili Brand" Choice Dairy Fruit Bar Yogurt Flavoured Ice Confection" have been removed from market shelves since 17 September 2008 and will be destroyed.

2 Our tests also found that the "Dutch Lady" brand of strawberry flavoured milk manufactured in China to be contaminated with melamine. These products have also been recalled and will be destroyed. Other "Dutch Lady" brand milk products which are not manufactured in China are unaffected.

3 Consumers who have bought "Yili Brand" Choice Dairy Fruit Bar Yogurt Flavoured Ice Confection and "Dutch Lady" brand of strawberry flavoured milk (manufactured in China) are advised not to consume them.

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4 As a precautionary measure, AVA is also suspending the import and sale of all milk and milk products from China with immediate effect. Retailers and importers have been instructed to recall these products and these products will be withheld from sale until they have cleared the necessary tests.

5 In addition, local food manufacturers have also been instructed to cease the use of milk and milk products from China as ingredients until the completion of our investigations. Consignments which have newly arrived or on the way will also be withheld from sale.

6 Consumers are also advised not to consume any milk and milk products from China pending AVA's investigations.

Infant formulas in Singapore safe for consumption

7 AVA would like to reassure the public that there is no import of infant formula from China into Singapore. Infant formulas sold in Singapore are safe for consumption.

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