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**Importers of food products (All)**  
**Supermarkets (All)**  
**Distributors of food products (All)**  
**Retailers of food products (All)**

Dear Sir/Madam

**Re: Suspension of substandard Peanut butter on sale**

According to the Law No 003/2018 of 09/02/2018 establishing Rwanda FDA, especially in article 8 paragraph 2, the Authority is mandated to regulate compliance with quality standards relating to the manufacture, storage, sale, distribution, use, import and export, labels, packages and raw materials used in the manufacture of products regulated under this Law; and further reference made also on the above mentioned law in article 8, paragraph 8, the Authority is mandated to ensure that processed food, food supplements and fortified food meet the prescribed quality standards before they are placed on the market;

Further reference is made to the announcement of Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS) on 7 Substandard Peanut Butter brands on sale, issued on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019, Rwanda FDA would want to inform the public that the following brands are suspended and recalled while conducting deep investigation:

<b>Brand Name</b>	<b>Manufacturer</b>
True nuts	Truenutz Kenya
Fressy	Fressy Food Company Limited
Supa meal	Supacosm Products Limited
Nuteez	Jetlak Foods Limited
Sue's Naturals	Nature's Way Health
Zesta	Trufoods Limited
Nutty by nature	Target Distributors

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The suspension follows the test results undertaken by KEBS which confirm that their levels of aflatoxin is higher than maximum limit allowed by the Standard and consequently KEBS has also suspended these companies and instructed them to recall the incriminated brands and put in place corrective actions

**Action to be taken**

- Rwanda Food and Drugs Authority instructs all importers, distributors, supermarkets, retailers to stop the importation, distribution and sale of incriminated brands of peanuts butter and return to suppliers while further investigation is being conducted.
- All importers, supermarket are requested to provide a report to Rwanda FDA within 10 working days on imported quantities, distributed quantities, returned quantities and available stock per each brand, the detailed report should be sent [info@rwandafda.gov.rw](mailto:info@rwandafda.gov.rw) and copy to [pv\\_sm@rwandafda.gov.rw](mailto:pv_sm@rwandafda.gov.rw)
- Public should stop consuming the incriminated brands of peanut butter

Sincerely

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**CC:**

- **Hon. Minister of Health**
- **Chief Executive Officer/Private Sector Federation (PSF)**
- **Commission General of RRA**