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Ministry of Health

No. 1197 អបស/ឱអបស

Phnom Penh Capital, December 15, 2008

**The Minister of Health**

**To:**

**The Directors of Pharmaceutical Enterprises, Directors of Pharmaceutical  
Import-Export Companies**

**Subject:** Cessation of production, import, circulation on markets, registration and delisting of the registered pills produced from the active ingredient "Artemisinin" only;

According to the notification of the World Health Organization on May 2, 2008 confirming the hazards of home-based malaria treatment by taking medicines containing only the active ingredient "Artemisinin" resulted in resistance that is harmful to people living along the Cambodian–Thai border.

The directors of pharmaceutical enterprises, the directors of pharmaceutical import-export companies are therefore requested to immediately cease producing, importing and collecting medicines of the above type from markets that you have distributed to pharmacies and sub-pharmacies across the country and make reports on storage of the above medicines in your warehouses to the Ministry of Health as soon as possible from this date of signature onwards. The ministry will halt the registration and delist already-registered pills of the type produced containing the active ingredient "Artemisinin" only.

Yours very truly,

Phnom Penh Capital, ....., 2008

**pp Minister of Health**

**Secretary of State**

*(Signature and stamp)*

**Pharmacist CHOU YINSIM**

**CC:**

- Health Cabinet
- General Department of Technical Health
- Department of Medicines, Food, Medical Equipment and Cosmetics
- Provincial–city departments of health
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