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The Pharmaceutical Wholesalers Association (PWA)

Attention: Dr. Chirochangu

Dear Madam

RE: INSTRUCTION TO QUARANTINE METHOTREXATE 50MG/2ML INJECTION BATCH NUMBER MTI2101BAQ MANUFACTURED BY CELON LABORATORIES (PVT) LTD, PLOT 2 AND 3, ALEAP INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, GAJURALAMARAM VILLAGE, QUTHBULLAPUR (M), MEDCHAL-MALKAJGIRI (DIST.), HYDERBAD. TELANGANA, INDIA

Reference is made to a product defect report for Methotrexate 50mg batch number MTI2101BAQ, which was received on the 3rd of January, 2023 from the World Health Organisation (WHO). The complainant indicated that the above-mentioned batch of Methotrexate 50mg/2ml injection contained the contaminant, *Pseudomonas Aeruginosa*.

If any of the wholesalers have the product in stock, they are therefore required to quarantine the reported product. They are further instructed to submit the complete distribution report within five (5) working days and furnish us with all the importation documents which include the authorisation letters from the Authority and other necessary documents cleared by ZIMRA.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter within 48 hours of receipt.

Yours faithfully

MEDICINES CONTROL AUTHORITY OF ZIMBABWE

Richard Rukwata (Mr.)

for: DIRECTOR-GENERAL

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cc: Pharmaceutical Society of Zimbabwe (PSZ)

