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Circular letter No. _____ CL/MOH/SG/DPML of **02 OCT 2019**

Relating to irregularities in the wholesale distribution of pharmaceutical products

MINISTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH,

To

- **The Director General of CENAME ;**
- **The Regional Delegates for Public Health ;**
- **The Managers of Purchasing centres**
- **The Administrators of Regional Funds for Health Promotion**
- **The General Managers of wholesale Distributors of Pharmaceutical Products**

I have noted that some wholesalers distribute pharmaceutical products to non accredited natural and legal entities by the Ministry of Public Health.

I therefore have the honour to remind you of the important recommendations of the 28 May 2018 Convention between the Ministry of Public Health and the National Pharmaceutical Profession, on the one hand, requiring wholesalers to deliver pharmaceuticals only to:

- Accredited for profit and/or non-profit private pharmaceutical wholesalers ;
- Accredited private pharmacies;
- Pharmacies of accredited public or private health facilities

And on the other hand, of our National Drug Policy (NDP), which describes the structure of the National Essential Drug Procurement System.

To this end, I urge you to end these malpractices which are contrary to the provisions of the current regulations and are likely to promote the trafficking, illicit sale of drugs and the growth of the informal sector.

Henceforth, you should take care to distribute your products only to authorized structures and ensure that they actually have at least one pharmacist in charge of handling these products. The pharmacist shall be an interface between the supplier and the authorized structure.

Defaulters shall be met with various sanctions and/or even to the withdrawal of their accreditation

I attach great importance to the respect of the provisions hereof.

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- General Manager of Aéroports du Cameroun (ADC)
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