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ANVISA - NATIONAL AGENCY FOR SANITARY VIGILANCE.

Resolution Nr 1,536 of 31st March 2011.

Considering the recent natural disasters which occurred in Japan last month and the consequent disaster involving the nuclear powered generating plant of Fukushima Daiichi with the risk of radioactive contamination of foodstuffs imported from Japan, the Board of ANVISA have resolved:

Art 1) The importation of all and whatever kind of raw material and of bulk, semi-elaborated or finished alimentary product originating or coming from Japan, destined for human consumption manufactured with a date posterior to 11/03/2011, should only take place by:

I - The presentation of a Declaration by the Japanese Health Authorities as per the model attached to this resolution.

II - Said Declaration should attest that the levels of radionuclides (iodine -131, cesium-134 and cesium 137) in the raw materials and the alimentary products are in accordance with the limits established by the CODEX ALIMENTARUS(Codex Standard 193-1995)

III - The levels established by the Codex for alimentary products, including infantile aliments, are: 100 Bq/kg for iodine-131 and 1000 Bq/kg for cesium-134 and cesium-137.

IV - The declaration must be presented in the original language, accompanied by a translation into the Portuguese language.

V - A Declaration must be presented by a company for each lot of food product imported.

Art 2) In case some company in the branch of aliments, in Brazil, has made an importation of the products mentioned in Art 1, manufactured after 11/03/2011 and imported before the date of publication of this Resolution in the Official Gazette, they should not use them in the industrial processing of aliments nor commercialise them in the country.

Paragraph: The company responsible for the importation must communicate, in writing, to the General Manager of Aliments, Anvisa, the occurrence of the situation mentioned in the heading of this article.

This resolution comes into force on the date of its publication.

This is now in force because it was published in the Official Gazette on 01/04/2011.

Santos, 5th April 2011.