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**FOOD SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK**

To Bureau Directors  
Directors of Services/Centers and Heads of Units  
Regional Directors  
Schools Superintendents

1 Presidential Proclamation No 160 dated August 16 1999, declares the last week of October of every year as "Food Safety Awareness Week," to create public awareness and to educate people on food safety in order to reduce and ultimately eradicate food poisoning and other foodborne illnesses

2 Regional, division and school officials and teachers are requested to support the celebration by conducting or participating in any of the following activities

- a hanging of streamers/posting of food safety slogans in strategic places in the schools and communities,
- b organizing food safety awareness activities for pupils/students, parents, and food handlers in the canteens,
- c integration of food safety concepts in appropriate subjects in the elementary and secondary curricula, and
- d ensuring food safety in the school canteen

3 School health and nutrition personnel should take the lead in initiating the various relevant activities, more specifically the advocacy of food safety in the schools and communities

4 Wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired

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Secretary

Reference None

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