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Dear Doctor,

Recall of Diurex 40mg tablets by Vickmans Laboratories Ltd.

I write to inform you the Department of Health (DH) has instructed Vickmans Laboratories Ltd.(偉民製藥有限公司) to recall Diurex 40mg tablets.

Upon notification by the Hospital Authority (HA) of suspected fungal contamination of two batches of Diurex 40mg (batch no. 81539 and 81540), DH mounted immediate investigation at the manufactory of Vickmans Laboratories Ltd. Today, laboratory results confirmed the presence of the fungus *Aspergillus*.

DH has instructed the company to recall the product and suspend the production and distribution of all its pharmaceutical products. We advise patients to consult their doctors for medical advice and drug alternatives.

Vickmans Laboratories Ltd. has set up a telephone hotline (2596 1835) for the recall. DH has also set up a hotline (2125 1122) for enquiries.

Yours sincerely,

(Or Jackie Leung) for Director of Health