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Ohio Prisons Handling Peanut Butter Recall

(Columbus) – As a result of the national peanut butter recall, Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction's (DRC) Director Terry J. Collins had the DRC Office of Prisons, medical and food service staff check the food supply and inventory at all DRC facilities. This process began shortly after the national peanut butter recall was announced. There were a number of prisons which found the recalled peanut butter products either in their commissary or food service areas.

These items were identified as packets of peanut butter, peanut butter crackers and some peanut butter cookies. **All** of the products have been confiscated and isolated. There have been **no** reported cases of Salmonella in any of our facilities. Medical staff at each prison has received educational materials to assist them in identifying any potential Salmonella cases.

The DRC offender package vendor, Secure AccessPak through the Keefe Group, has also assured the agency that none of the products they sell have been involved in the peanut butter recall. Notifications have been received from the various manufacturers stating their products are **not** tainted.

The mission of DRC is to provide safe, secure and humane environments for our staff and inmates. If any inmate family members have concerns or questions regarding the peanut butter recall you may send your inquiries to the DRC Public Information website at: DRC.Publicinfo@odrc.state.oh.us.