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### **Decision No. (1/207)**

## Concerning Withdrawal and Banning of Importation and Trading of Ecigarettes and E-waterpipes

The Ministry of Health,

Based on Decree No. (5818) dated 13 June 2011;

Based on the Pharmacy Law No. (367) dated 1 August 1994 and its amendments; Based on Law No. (174) dated 3 September 2011 concerning Tobacco Control and regulating, manufacturing, packaging and advertising of tobacco products;

Based on Decision No. (1/186) (concerning withdrawal and banning of importation and trading of e-cigarettes) based on the perusal of the pharmacists' department and the opinion polling of the Directorate of Medical Care;

Based on the opinion poll of the Technical Committee of Drug Importation at its session held on 15 January 2011;

Based on the recommendation of the Public Health General Manager;

Based on the Public Health Requirements;

### **Decided as follows:**

**<u>Article 1:</u>** Importation and trading of all types of e-cigarettes and e-waterpipes shall be banned.

<u>Article 2:</u> All e-cigarettes and e-waterpipes shall be withdrawn from the Lebanon markets.

<u>Article 3:</u> Pharmaceutical Inspection shall be assigned in all governorates to put the content of this decision into force.

**Article 4:** This decision shall be circulated, when necessary.

### **CC**:

- World Health Organization
- General Directorate of the Lebanese Customs
- Union of Importers of Drugs and Owners of Warehouses
- Assembly of Manufacturers' of Drugs in Lebanon
- Syndicate of Lebanese Pharmacists
- Union of Pharmacists in Beirut and North Lebanon
- Syndicate of the Owners of Hospitals
- Directorate of Medical Care
- National Tobacco Control Program
- Pharmaceutical Inspection in Health Bodies in the Governorates
- Pharmacy Authority and the departments affiliated thereto
- Archives/email Department

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