

**REPUBLIC OF PANAMA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH
GENERAL OFFICE OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

Resolution No. 809 of October 6, 2008

The General Director of Public Health,
pursuant to his legal powers and

WHEREAS:

It is the essential function of the Government to oversee the public health of the Republic. This duty pertains to the Ministry of Health, pursuant to which it becomes imminent to take measures of prevention and control aimed at the population who is exposed to tobacco smoke.

Law 13 of January 24, 2008, establishes preventive health measures for the control of smoking.

Executive Decree 230 of May 6, 2008, which regulates the law that takes measures for tobacco control, sets forth in its Article 14 that tobacco product packages must contain, among other things, pictograms approved by the Ministry of Health and which shall occupy 60% of the space designated for the additional health warning.

Resolution No. 505 of June 3, 2008, approved and established the 5 pictograms which must be printed on the packaging of all tobacco products sold in the country of the Republic of Panama.

Therefore,

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED:

ARTICLE ONE: To amend Resolution No. 501 of June 3, 2008, in order to establish new pictograms due to difficulties which have arisen concerning author's rights.

ARTICLE TWO: The new pictograms which must be printed on the tobacco products packaging are those attached to this Resolution.

ARTICLE THREE: To warn the industries that manufacture, import, distribute and market tobacco products that pursuant to Executive Decree 230 of May 6, 2008, they must print one of the pictograms established in the above article on the packaging and packs of tobacco products they wish to market within the country of the Republic of Panama, pursuant to the provisions of Article 17 of the cited Executive Decree.

ARTICLE FOUR: To appoint the Commission on Advertising and Propaganda as the entity which oversees compliance with this Resolution.

ARTICLE FIVE: This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

LEGAL BASIS: Law 13 of January 24, 2008, Executive Decree 230 of May 6, 2008.

LET IT BE KNOWN AND FULFILLED.

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