

## Red Bull sold here not from Austria

**PUTRAJAYA:** The Health Ministry said yesterday Red Bull energy drinks sold in Malaysia are imported from Thailand and packaged in cans or bottles in the country, and not brought in from Austria.

It's Food Quality and Safety Division director Nooraini Mohd Othman said Malaysia did not import Red Bull and Red Bull Cola drinks from Austria which have been banned in countries like Germany, Taiwan and Hongkong after minute quantities of cocaine were detected in them.

"The ministry has stopped imports of Red Bull products from Austria since 2001, after their caffeine content did not meet the standards stipulated in the Food Act 1983 and Food Regulations 1985," she said.  
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