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## ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORATE NOTICE

In accordance with the Food Safety Act and Regulation (EC) No. 178 of 2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council, the Environmental Health Directorate within the Superintendence of Public Health wishes to inform the public that from information received through the Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed, said product must not be consumed because it contains a high level of Aflatoxin.

Aflatoxins are mycotoxins produced by two species of *Aspergillus*, a fungus found especially in areas with hot and humid climates. Aflatoxins are known to be genotoxic (capable of damaging DNA) and carcinogenic in case of regular consumption of food contaminated with high levels of aflatoxin.

Product description: Ogbono (Ground)

Durability date: 01/11/2021

Weight: 100g

Lot number: GO73/19/298

For further information, the public is kindly requested to contact the Health Inspectorate Services between 8:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. on telephone number 21337333, or by calling personally at its offices at Continental Business Centre, Old Railway Track, Santa Venera or by email [mhi@gov.mt](mailto:mhi@gov.mt). The public is also being invited to access the Directorate's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Environmental-Health-Directorate-Malta/145027878928626?ref=hl> or our official website at <https://deputyprimeminister.gov.mt/en/environmental/Pages/Home-Page.aspx> for similar information.

