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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 used in view that the coating contains an elevated level of 3-MCPD.***

3-MCPD are a group of contaminants which form during the processing of edible oils. In elevated levels, these can have an adverse effect on the human reproductive system and can also be carcinogenic.

Product description:	Paper straws with a waterproof coating
Description of the unit:	Transparent plastic bag of 10 straws in each pack
Brand:	Unique
Lot:	YY17
Article number:	62084
Barcode number:	011179620845

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. The public is also being invited to access the Directorate's official website at <https://deputyprimeminister.gov.mt/en/environmental/Pages/Home-Page.aspx> for similar information.

