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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 since it *contains glycidal fatty acid and acrylamide in high levels*.

Glycidyl fatty acid esters are hydrolysed into glycidol in the gastrointestinal tract. The European Food Safety Authority concluded that glycidol is a genotoxic and carcinogenic compound.

Acrylamide is a chemical that can form in foods with high content of starch which is cooked at high temperatures. Its health implications are still unclear but are believed to be carcinogenic effects.

Product name:	Good day Butter Cookies
Brand:	Britannia
Durability date:	BB 28/02/2021
Weight:	216g
Lot:	20AL17S



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