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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 in view of the possible contamination with a pesticide (Ethlene oxide) in the sesame seeds used for the production of the same product.

In the past weeks, it was found that the chemical ethylene oxide might have been used to control certain organisms in sesame seeds exported from India. Such use of ethylene oxide is not approved.

Product description:	Tahini
Brand:	Bio Today
Weight:	250g
Durability date:	Best Before 31-03-2023
Lot:	E197184

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 email 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 for similar information. <https://deputyprimeminister.gov.mt/en/environmental/Pages/Home-Page.aspx>

