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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 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:	Toasted Sesame Seed Oil
Brand:	Arche
Weight	145ml
Lots:	N282
Best Before Date:	28/02/2021

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

