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PRODUCT RECALL - TOMATO PASTE

The Food and Drugs Authority (FDA) has directed the withdrawal of all batches of certain brands of **tomato paste** from the market which were found to contain the ingredients starch and colour (erythrosine), that were not indicated on the labels. These ingredients are not permitted in tomato paste.

These products therefore *do not conform* to the Ghana Standard for Tomato Paste (GS 246: 2013 Processed Fruits and Vegetables - Specification for Tomato Paste and Tomato Puree - 3rd Edition and its revision GS 246: 2019 - 4th Edition) and contravene the General Labelling Law, LI 1541.

This was detected after intensive market surveillance activities and subsequent laboratory analysis by the FDA.

The following tomato paste products are subject to this alert:

- 1. Alyssa Tomato Paste (Double Concentrated)
- 2. Aicha Tomato Paste
- 3. Snow Red Tomato Paste
- 4. Shalom Tomato Paste
- 5. Mama and Papa Tomato Paste
- 6. Juliet Tomato Paste
- 7. Star-Time Tomato Paste
- 8. Daily Double Concentrated Tomato paste
- 9. Prestige Tomato Paste
- 10. Roi Lion Double Concentrated Tomato Paste
- 11. Richese Tomato Paste
- 12. Green Garden Tomato Paste

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- 13. Rococo Tomato Pasted
- 14. Nano Tomato Paste
- 15. Tasty Family Tomato Paste
- 16. Ma Bravo Tomato Paste

All affected companies should recall their respective products from the market. Retailers are also to immediately return any affected products in stock, to their suppliers.

The FDA commends companies that have already taken the appropriate measures to recall their products from the market.

Meanwhile, the FDA will continue with its market surveillance activities and **update this list** in due course.

The FDA assures the general public that it will continue to do all within its mandate to ensure the safety and quality of all regulated products found on the Ghanaian market.

All concerns regarding this issue and any FDA regulated products should be directed to the following contacts:

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