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CONSUMER ALERT

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The Consumer Affairs Commission (CAC), wishes to advise all consumers whether at home or abroad to avoid consuming all milk-based products imported out of China.

Over the past two weeks there have been several reports that the toxic industrial chemical called melamine has been found in infants' milk. Laboratory tests have subsequently indicated that "excessively high" levels were found which caused 53,000 babies in China to be hospitalized with renal failure and other complications.

The Bureau of Standards Jamaica is taking every action to ensure that tainted milk products from China do not reach our shelves and the Jamaican consumer.

In addition, the CAC is encouraging consumers to report and dairy products – cookies, chocolate, yoghurt or milk bearing the mark, "Made in China".

The CAC is also asking Jamaican travelers to refrain from purchasing these items abroad as gifts as these occasions may not be detected at port and could prove harmful.



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Some of the international companies with operations in China have recalled many of the popular chocolate and cookie brands.

Companies such as Kraft Foods Inc., Mars North America have issued statements that their tests show that their products do not contain melamine.

However, companies such as Cadbury have found traces of the industrial chemical melamine in Chinese-made products that have since been recalled in Hong Kong, Australia and Taiwan.

Several countries have banned the milk based products made in China. Some of the candy products made in China are:

1. Cadbury Eclairs
2. Snickers
3. M&Ms
4. Hershey
5. Hershey Kisses
6. Reese's brands
7. Oreos

The CAC is asking all consumers to keep informed of further developments and call or e-mail families and friends living in London, Tokyo, and or Nairobi and warned them against purchasing the tainted products which may have been exported to the adopted country.

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