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RELEASE

The Minister of Public Health informs the public that according to the World Health Organization (WHO) Medical Product Alert No. 5/2019, an investigation has established that two falsified versions of the Mencevax ACWY vaccine from pharmaceutical Laboratories GSK and Pfizer used for the prevention of meningitis types A, C, W are circulating in Africa, with the following labels:

| | FIRST VERSION | SECOND VERSION |
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| Product name | Mencevax ACWY | Mencevax ACWY |
| Batch Number | AMEUA 108BA | AMEUA 105BA |
| Expiration date | 02-2021 | 07-2021 |
| Date of manufacture | 03-2018 | 03-2016 |
| Declared manufacturer | Glaxo Smitne Biologicals s.a. Rixensart-Belgium | Glaxo Smith Biologicals s.a. Rixensart-Belgium |
| Languages on the packaging | The texts on the labels of these 2 falsified versions are in English. | |

The Pharmaceutical laboratories GSK and Pfizer, declare that:

- They do not acknowledge producing these products and,
- The associations of the batch numbers and expiry dates appearing on these fake products do not correspond to any authentic manufacturing record entered in their registers.

Given that the counterfeit of a drug does not ensure either its quality, safety or efficacy, the Minister of Public Health hereby calls on everyone to be more vigilant, and where necessary, to stop the use of those fake vaccines, and then, promptly inform the General Inspectorate for Pharmaceutical Services and Laboratories: Mail igpharmacie@yahoo.com and Mobile 655 97 85 00.

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