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CONSUMER ALERT

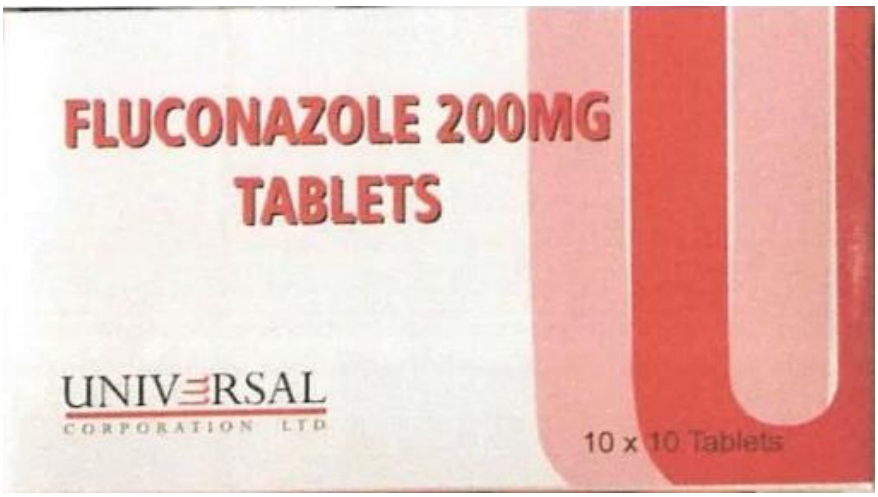
VOLUNTARY RECALL OF FLUCONAZOLE 200MG TABLETS MANUFACTURED BY UNIVERSAL CORPORATION KENYA LIMITED

The COMESA Competition Commission (the Commission) has become aware through the media release dated 29 December 2023 by Rwanda Food and Drug Authority (FDA) that the agency had recalled **Fluconazole 200mg Tablets** manufactures by Universal Corporation Kenya Limited (UCL) following a voluntary recall by the manufacturer in its notification with reference no. UCL/PD/pp/2023/05/043 for discoloration of the tablets. The tablets were found to lose colour after a short shelf life.

Details of the recalled product:

DESCRIPTION	BATCH NO.	EXPIRY DATE	QUALITY ISSUE
Fluconazole 200mg Tablets	5810315	31 January 2025	The pink tablets displayed white discoloration
Fluconazole 200mg Tablets	5810316	31 January 2025	The pink tablets displayed white discoloration
Fluconazole 200mg Tablets	5811390	31 August 2025	The pink tablets displayed white discoloration
Fluconazole 200mg Tablets	5810022	31 August 2025	The pink tablets displayed white discoloration

Picture of the recalled product:



In its media release, the Rwanda FDA instructed all importers, central medical stores, wholesale dealers, retailers, and all health facilities to stop the distribution of the drugs and return them to the suppliers. More information about the recall can be accessed on the link: https://twitter.com/RwandaFDA/status/1742563938321985547, https://twitter.com/RwandaFDA/status/1742563938321985547

The Commission`s preliminary findings indicate that in the Common Market, UCL distributes its medicines in Burundi, DRC, Malawi, Rwanda, Somalia, Uganda and Zambia.

Pursuant to Article 30(1)(b) of the COMESA Competition Regulations, the Commission requests any person who establishes that the recalled tablets are being sold in other COMESA Member States, to avoid their purchase or use, and to report the matter to the Commission by contacting **Mr. Steven Kamukama, Manager Consumer Welfare and Advocacy Division** on +265 (0) 1 772466 or by email on: skamukama@comesacompetition.org

Affected persons within the Common Market may also contact their national consumer institutions or any other body with the mandate on consumer protection in their countries.

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