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Dear Schlumberger Spouses,

We have recently been informed by SMI, the company that provides us with the Curative Malaria Kit, that there has been a recall on one batch (only) of rapid malaria diagnostic tests (RDTs) manufactured since September 2007 contained in a certain number of Schlumberger Malaria Curative Kits due to a production defect. You may be in possession of a defective batch of rapid diagnostic tests (RDTs)

The rapid malaria diagnostic test strips contained in the white packets (3 per kit) marked MD082007 and their related liquid buffer vial (3 per kit) need to be replaced urgently.



Note: The batch number MD0802007 appears on the 3 white plastic packets contained in the Curative Malaria Kit (metal box). It does not appear on the metal box.

The recall **does not** concern the curative medication contained in the kits – Coartem® – or any other element of the Malaria Curative Kit.



If you received your kit since September 2007 and have left the country where you received it, to correct this problem please:

1. Check your Curative Malaria Kit NOW and assess whether it contains RDTs labeled MD082007
2. If it does, please contact Beatrice Benoist of SMI directly by e-mail at: b-benoist@smiequip.com and provide her with your name, GIN and precise mailing address.
3. SMI will DHL replacement RDTs and buffer vials (3 per kit) within 24 hours of your e-mail.
4. Please destroy the defective RDTs in your possession that are labeled MD082007 and their accompanying vials of buffer.

If you are still assigned to the country where you received your kit, please contact your local QHSE manager to replace the RDT test strips.

NOTE: Even though the new test strips will be more recent than the other items contained in the Curative Malaria Kit, the expiry date for the Curative Malaria Kit will remain the date that is indicated on the metal box.

Until you receive the new malaria diagnostic test strips (RDTs) and buffer vials, any fever appearing within the 60 days after having left a high malaria risk country must be considered as malaria and they should take the 3 days of curative Coartem medication immediately. There is no danger in taking the medication even if it was not malaria.

Thanks for your understanding.

Regards,
Dr. Alex Barbey
Schlumberger International Health Coordinator

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