

RAPID ALERT SYSTEM FOR FOOD AND FEED

The legal basis of the system is Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Safety Authority and laying down procedures in matters of food safety (O.J. No L 31 of 1 February 2002).

The purpose of the rapid alert system for food and feed (RASFF) is to provide the control authorities with an effective tool for exchange of information on measures taken to ensure food safety.

To assist the members of the network, notifications are classified under three different headings¹:

- **ALERT NOTIFICATIONS**

Alert notifications are sent when a food or feed presenting a serious risk is on the market and when immediate action is required. Alerts are triggered by the Member State that detects the problem and has initiated the relevant measures, such as withdrawal/recall. The notification aims at giving all the members of the network the information to verify whether the concerned product is on their market, so that they also can take the necessary measures.

Consumers can be reassured that products subject to an alert notification have been withdrawn or are in the process of being withdrawn from the market. The Member States have their own mechanisms to carry out such actions, including the provision of detailed information through the media if necessary.

- **INFORMATION NOTIFICATIONS**

Information notifications concern a food or feed that was placed on the market for which a risk has been identified, but for which the other members of the network do not have to take immediate action, because the product has not reached their market or is no longer present on their market or because the nature of the risk does not require any immediate action.

- **BORDER REJECTIONS**

These notifications concern food and feed consignments that have been tested and rejected at the external borders of the EU (and the EEA²) when a health risk was found. The notifications are transmitted to all EEA border posts in order to reinforce controls and to ensure that the rejected product does not re-enter the Community through another border post.

The Commission publishes a weekly overview of RASFF notifications belonging to the above three categories. As it is necessary to strike the balance between openness and the protection of commercial information, the trade names and the identity of individual companies are not published. This is not detrimental to consumer protection, as a RASFF notification implies that all required measures have been or are in the process of being taken.

The public must be aware that the Commission is not in a position to release more information other than that published here. However, in exceptional circumstances where the protection of human health

¹ This classification was put in place on 1 January 2008 and differs from the classification used until then.

² European Economic Area

requires greater transparency, the Commission takes the appropriate action through its usual communication channels.

The Commission informs the authorities of third countries of notifications concerning products manufactured in, distributed to or dispatched from these countries. However, the fact that a country is mentioned as the origin of a product does not necessarily imply that the identified hazard(s) originated in the country concerned.

The notifications reported in the weekly overviews published on the European Commission's web site are so-called "original notifications", representing a new case reported on a health risk detected in one or more consignments of a food or feed. On these cases, control authorities are exchanging additional information on measures taken and outcome of investigations. This additional information does not appear in the publicly accessible weekly overviews.

A short explanation about some of the notification tables' columns follows.

The "notification basis" column, appearing in the alert and information notifications tables, indicates what type of control, report or investigation lay at the basis of the notification:

- border control – screening sample: notification initiated through a sample taken at a border post for analysis but the consignment was meanwhile released to the market (“screening sample”);
- official control on the market: official control on the EU (and EEA) internal market;
- company own-check: notification initiated through a company notifying the outcome of an own-check to the competent authority;
- consumer complaint: notification initiated through a consumer lodging a complaint with the competent authority;
- food poisoning outbreak: reports of a food poisoning leading to the notification of a risk in a food on the market that has caused the food poisoning.

The status column is a combination of two values, "distribution status" and "action (to be) taken".

The distribution status indicates knowledge existing **at the time of notification** about the possible distribution of the product on the market. The concept "market" is to be interpreted in a geographical way: "the internal Community market" i.e. this does not necessarily mean that the product is already on the shelves available to consumers, as often it is not.

The action (to be) taken represents the action already taken or to be taken by the notifying country **at the time of notification**. If "no action taken" is given for an **alert** notification, this normally indicates that the product is not on the market of the notifying country (therefore: no action taken by the notifying country) but it may be on the market of other member countries.

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TABLE 1: ALERT NOTIFICATIONS

Notifications in blue typeface concern feed, all other notifications concern food.

DATE	NOTIFIED BY	REF.	REASON FOR NOTIFYING	NOTIFICATION BASIS	STATUS
02/02/2009	the Commission Services	2009.0108	suspicion of Salmonella in snack bars containing peanut butter from the United States	food poisoning	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) withdrawn from the market
02/02/2009	Poland	2009.0110	Salmonella (present /10g) in frozen spiced chicken döner from Poland	company's own check	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) withdrawn from the market
02/02/2009	Greece	2009.0112	undeclared sulphite (64.8 mg/kg - ppm) in retsina-cola mixed drink from Austria, via Germany	official control on the market	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) recalled from consumers
02/02/2009	Denmark	2009.0114	Salmonella Minnesota (in 1 out of 5 samples) in marinated chicken breast from Germany	official control on the market	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) withdrawn from recipient(s)
02/02/2009	Slovenia	2009.0115	high content of iodine (2070 µg/kg - ppb) in brown seaweed capsules from France	official control on the market	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) recalled from consumers
02/02/2009	France	2009.0116	parasitic infestation with Anisakis of chilled cod fillets from Denmark	official control on the market	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) withdrawn from the market
03/02/2009	Ireland	2009.0121	histamine (602.7 mg/kg - ppm) in anchovy sauce from the Republic of Korea, via the Netherlands and via Germany	official control on the market	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) withdrawn from the market
03/02/2009	France	2009.0124	Salmonella spp. in canapés from France	company's own check	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) withdrawn from the market
04/02/2009	the Commission Services	2009.0125	suspicion of Salmonella in snack bars containing peanut ingredients from the United States	food poisoning	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) recalled from consumers
04/02/2009	Italy	2009.0130	melamine (13 mg/kg - ppm) in savoury coated peanut crackers from China, via the Netherlands	company's own check	distribution on the market (possible)
04/02/2009	Estonia	2009.0131	too high level of total migration (1550 mg/kg - ppm) from melamine bowls from China, via Lithuania	official control on the market	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) withdrawn from the market

DATE	NOTIFIED BY	REF.	REASON FOR NOTIFYING	NOTIFICATION BASIS	STATUS
04/02/2009	Italy	2009.0133	glass fragments (piece of glass 2 cm x 1cm) in tuna fillets in glass jars from Portugal	consumer complaint	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) withdrawn from the market
04/02/2009	Italy	2009.0134	parasitic infestation with Anisakis of chilled hake (Merluccius merluccius) from Spain	company's own check	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) destroyed
04/02/2009	Denmark	2009.0135	high content of DEHP - di(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (2.9; 1.5; 2.0; 2.8 %) and of DIDP - diisodecyl phthalate (29.2; >>0.15 %) in plasticized lid-gaskets used for jars containing mango chutney from India, via Sweden	official control on the market	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) withdrawn from the market
05/02/2009	Greece	2009.0136	aflatoxins (B1 = 81.1; Tot. = 92.6 µg/kg - ppb) in raw pistachios from the United States, via Germany	official control on the market	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) withdrawn from the market
05/02/2009	Germany	2009.0143	aluminium (91; 88; 92 mg/kg - ppm) in instant noodles from China	official control on the market	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) withdrawn from the market
05/02/2009	the United Kingdom	2009.0144	undeclared milk ingredient (> 675 mg/kg - ppm) in plain chocolate from Belgium	official control on the market	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) withdrawn from the market
06/02/2009	Germany	2009.0146	E 210 - benzoic acid (730 mg/kg - ppm) unauthorised in coconut flavoured fruit jelly from Vietnam	official control on the market	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) withdrawn from the market
06/02/2009	Italy	2009.0149	parasitic infestation with Anisakis of chilled hake (Gadus morhua) from Denmark	official control on the market	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) destroyed
06/02/2009	the Czech Republic	2009.0150	unauthorised substance tadalafil (71.1 mg/capsule) in food supplement from China	official control on the market	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) withdrawn from the market

TABLE 2: INFORMATION NOTIFICATIONS

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DATE	NOTIFIED BY	REF.	REASON FOR NOTIFYING	NOTIFICATION BASIS	STATUS
02/02/2009	the Netherlands	2009.0106	Salmonella (in 1 out of 5 samples /25g) in Asiatic pennywort from Thailand	official control on the market	no stock left / no action taken

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02/02/2009	Poland	2009.0107	Salmonella in soybean meal from Argentina	border control - consignment released	distribution restricted to notifying country / destination of the product identified
02/02/2009	Italy	2009.0109	carbon monoxide treatment of frozen slices of swordfish (<i>Xiphias gladius</i>) from the Netherlands	official control on the market	distribution on the market (possible) / no action taken
02/02/2009	the Netherlands	2009.0111	Salmonella in praeuw leaf from Thailand	official control on the market	no stock left / no action taken
02/02/2009	Greece	2009.0113	histamine (85.73 / 8.71 / 6.91 / 3.02 / 8.83 / 291.51 / 136.76 / 414.48 / 4.64 mg/kg - ppm) in canned sardines (<i>Sardinia pilchardus</i>) in oil from Morocco	border control - consignment released	distribution restricted to notifying country / destination of the product identified
03/02/2009	Denmark	2009.0117	Salmonella typhimurium DT 104 - multiresistant (in 2 out of 12 samples) in chilled turkey breasts from Germany	official control on the market	product past best before date / product (to be) recalled from consumers
03/02/2009	Germany	2009.0118	migration of 4-methylbenzophenone (798 µg/kg - ppb) from cardboard boxes produced in the Netherlands containing chocolate crunch muesli manufactured in Belgium	official control on the market	distribution restricted to notifying country / product (to be) withdrawn from the market
03/02/2009	Lithuania	2009.0119	unauthorised substances melatonin and idebenone in fruit punch from the United States, via Poland	official control on the market	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) returned to dispatcher
03/02/2009	Lithuania	2009.0120	unauthorised substance vinpocetine in food supplements from the United States, via Poland	official control on the market	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) returned to dispatcher
03/02/2009	Lithuania	2009.0122	unauthorised use of colour E 127 - erythrosine in food supplements from the United States, via Poland	official control on the market	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) returned to dispatcher
03/02/2009	Denmark	2009.0123	Salmonella Mbandaka (in 1 out of 12 samples) and Salmonella paratyphi group b (in 11 out of 12 samples) in frozen whole chicken from Germany	official control on the market	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) detained
04/02/2009	Belgium	2009.0126	dioxins (1.60; 1.30; 1.90 pg WHO TEQ/g) in feed premix from Brazil	company's own check	distribution restricted to notifying country / product (to be) detained
04/02/2009	Greece	2009.0127	3-monochlor-1,2-propanediol (3-MCPD) (157.8 mg/kg - ppm) in soy sauce in plastic bottles from the Philippines	official control on the market	distribution restricted to notifying country / product (to be) recalled from consumers

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04/02/2009	Finland	2009.0128	carbofuran (0.37 mg/kg - ppm), prophenophos (0.10 mg/kg - ppm), ethion (9.5 mg/kg - ppm), triazophos (0.10 mg/kg - ppm), omethoate and dimethoate (sum 0.49 mg/kg - ppm) in fresh coriander from Thailand	official control on the market	distribution restricted to notifying country / product (to be) destroyed
04/02/2009	Italy	2009.0129	presence of bacterial inhibitor (penicillin group) in pasteurized milk from Austria	company's own check	distribution restricted to notifying country / product (to be) returned to dispatcher
04/02/2009	Germany	2009.0132	unauthorised placing on the market of herbal infusion from Vietnam containing Senna leaves	official control on the market	distribution restricted to notifying country / product (to be) seized
04/02/2009	Italy	2009.AGQ	imazalil (6.88 mg/kg - ppm) in lemons from Argentina	border control - consignment released	no distribution / destination of the product identified
05/02/2009	Malta	2009.0137	high number of aerobic plate counts in purified drinking water from Malta	official control on the market	distribution restricted to notifying country / product (to be) withdrawn from the market
05/02/2009	Spain	2009.0138	aflatoxins (B1 = 148; Tot. = 149 µg/kg - ppb) in roasted pistachios from Spain	official control on the market	distribution restricted to notifying country / product (to be) recalled from consumers
05/02/2009	Norway	2009.0139	unauthorised placing on the market of flavoured green tea from Thailand containing Senna and Garcinia (Sennae folium, Sennae fructus and Garcinia atroviridis)	official control on the market	distribution restricted to notifying country / product (to be) destroyed
05/02/2009	Germany	2009.0140	aluminium (66.5 mg/kg - ppm) in instant noodles from China	official control on the market	no stock left / no action taken
05/02/2009	Norway	2009.0141	unauthorised placing on the market of herbal infusion from Thailand containing Senna (Sennae folium and Sennae fructus)	official control on the market	distribution restricted to notifying country / product (to be) destroyed
05/02/2009	Norway	2009.0142	unauthorised novel food ingredient Stevia rebaudiana in bitter gourd tea from Vietnam	official control on the market	distribution restricted to notifying country / product (to be) destroyed
05/02/2009	the United Kingdom	2009.0145	too high count of Enterobacteriaceae (1100 CFU/g) in pet food from China	border control - consignment released	distribution restricted to notifying country / reinforced checking
06/02/2009	Italy	2009.0147	Listeria monocytogenes (present /25g) in cooked prawn tails in brine from Spain	official control on the market	product past best before date / no action taken

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06/02/2009	Romania	2009.0148	too high count of coliforms (17000 CFU/g) in cheese from Romania	company's own check	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) withdrawn from the market
06/02/2009	France	2009.0151	foreign body (rubber - diameter 2.5 cm) in frozen spinach a la crème from Belgium	consumer complaint	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) withdrawn from the market
06/02/2009	Greece	2009.0152	migration of DEHA - di(2-ethylhexyl)adipate (121 mg/kg - ppm) and too high level of total migration (>113.4 mg/kg - ppm) from cling film from France	official control on the market	distribution on the market (possible) / product (to be) withdrawn from the market
06/02/2009	Denmark	2009.0153	Salmonella typhimurium DT 104 - multiresistant (in 1 out of 12 samples) in chilled turkey meat from Germany	official control on the market	product past best before date / product (to be) destroyed

TABLE 3: BORDER REJECTIONS

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DATE	NOTIFIED BY	REF.	REASON FOR NOTIFYING	ACTION (TO BE) TAKEN
02/02/2009	Denmark	2009.AFP	insufficient labelling of porcine cartilage from the United States with improper packaging	product (to be) re-dispatched
02/02/2009	France	2009.AFQ	rusty cans (vertical welds and seams of lids and bottoms are rusty) of canned mackerel in mustard sauce from Morocco	product (to be) destroyed
02/02/2009	Greece	2009.AFR	bone fragments and Sarcocystis spp in canned corned beef from Brazil	product (to be) re-dispatched
02/02/2009	France	2009.AFS	aflatoxins (B1 = <0.3; Tot. = <0.8 / B1 = 2.0; Tot. = 5.9 / B1 = 6.0; Tot. = 16.5 µg/kg - ppb) in dried Lerida figs from Turkey	product under customs seals
03/02/2009	Spain	2009.AFT	mercury (1.3 mg/kg - ppm) in shortfin mako (Isurus oxyrinchus) from Namibia	product (to be) re-dispatched or destroyed
03/02/2009	France	2009.AFU	aflatoxins (B1 = <0.1; Tot. = <0.3 / B1 = 16.9; Tot. = 36.5 µg/kg - ppb) in baglama dried figs from Turkey	product under customs seals
03/02/2009	France	2009.AFV	aflatoxins (B1 = 7.3; Tot. = 7.7 / B1 = 1.1; Tot. = 1.1 / B1 = 12.1; Tot. = 13.1 µg/kg - ppb) in natural dried figs from Turkey	product under customs seals
03/02/2009	the Netherlands	2009.AFW	aflatoxins (Tot. = 14.6 / B1 = 5.2; Tot. = 8.5 / Tot. = 9.2 µg/kg - ppb) in blanched groundnut kernels from China	physical treatment - sorting
03/02/2009	the Netherlands	2009.AFX	aflatoxins (Tot. = 9.5 µg/kg - ppb) in groundnut kernels from China	physical treatment - sorting
03/02/2009	Spain	2009.AFY	mercury (1.5 mg/kg - ppm) in frozen swordfish (Xiphias gladius) from Namibia	product (to be) destroyed
03/02/2009	France	2009.AFZ	aflatoxins (B1 = 12.3; Tot. = 22.3 / B1 < 0.1; Tot. < 0.3 / B1 = 1.1; Tot. = 1.2 µg/kg - ppb) in dried figs from Turkey	product under customs seals
03/02/2009	Italy	2009.AGA	aflatoxins (B1 = <0.1; Tot. = 0.5 / B1 = 9.9; Tot. = 11.8 / B1 = 15.1; Tot. = 26.5 µg/kg - ppb) in apricot kernels from Turkey	product (to be) re-dispatched

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03/02/2009	Norway	2009.AGB	Salmonella Rubislaw in frozen beef chops from Namibia	product (to be) re-dispatched
03/02/2009	France	2009.AGC	aflatoxins (B1 = 18.4; Tot. = 20.2 µg/kg - ppb) in dried figs from Turkey	product under customs seals
04/02/2009	Greece	2009.AGD	aflatoxins (B1 = 22.7; Tot. = 25.3 / B1 = 26.7; Tot. = 32.0 / B1 = 5.7; Tot. = 6.9 µg/kg - ppb) in pistachio kernels from Turkey	product under customs seals
04/02/2009	Greece	2009.AGE	aflatoxins (B1 = 37.9; Tot. = 41.0 / Tot. = <0.5 µg/kg - ppb) in shelled pistachios from Turkey	product under customs seals
04/02/2009	Finland	2009.AGF	aflatoxins (B1 = 6.1; Tot. = 11 µg/kg - ppb) in common natal groundnut kernels from South Africa	product (to be) detained
04/02/2009	Cyprus	2009.AGG	altered organoleptic characteristics of chilled calamari (<i>Loligo vulgaris</i>) from Senegal	product (to be) destroyed
04/02/2009	Italy	2009.AGH	aflatoxins (B1 = 2.9; Tot. = 7.6 µg/kg - ppb) in roasted hazelnut meal from Turkey	product (to be) detained
04/02/2009	Cyprus	2009.AGI	altered organoleptic characteristics of chilled white grouper (<i>Ephinephelus aeneus</i>) from Senegal	product (to be) destroyed
04/02/2009	the Czech Republic	2009.AGJ	aflatoxins (Tot. = 14.99 / Tot. = <0.7 µg/kg - ppb) in groundnut kernels from China	product (to be) detained
04/02/2009	Italy	2009.AGK	altered organoleptic characteristics of chilled fish from Brazil	product (to be) destroyed
04/02/2009	Italy	2009.AGL	aflatoxins (B1 = <0.1; Tot. = <0.1 / B1 = 0.2; Tot. = 0.2 / B1 = 4.4; Tot. = 4.8 µg/kg - ppb) in pistachio kernels from Turkey	product (to be) re-dispatched
04/02/2009	Cyprus	2009.AGM	aluminium (82.8 mg/kg - ppm) in egg noodles from China	product (to be) re-dispatched or destroyed
04/02/2009	Cyprus	2009.AGN	aluminium (79.6 mg/kg - ppm) in noodles from China	product (to be) re-dispatched or destroyed
04/02/2009	Cyprus	2009.AGO	aluminium (85.9 mg/kg - ppm) in noodles from China	product (to be) re-dispatched or destroyed
04/02/2009	Greece	2009.AGP	tin (192 mg/kg - ppm) in canned pineapple in light syrup from Thailand	product (to be) re-dispatched or destroyed
04/02/2009	the United Kingdom	2009.AGR	too high content of colour E 102 - tartrazine (560 mg/kg - ppm) and unauthorised use of colour E 127 - erythrosine (130 mg/kg - ppm) in sugar coated fennel seeds from India	
04/02/2009	Portugal	2009.AGS	aflatoxins (B1 = 1.7; Tot. = 6.3 µg/kg - ppb) in dried Lerida figs from Turkey	product (to be) re-dispatched
05/02/2009	Spain	2009.AGT	melamine (3.7 mg/kg - ppm) in choline chloride from China	product (to be) re-dispatched
05/02/2009	Finland	2009.AGU	undeclared sulphite (87 mg/kg - ppm) in mixed pickles from Turkey	product (to be) detained
05/02/2009	Poland	2009.AGV	too high level of total migration (15.6; 26.4 mg/dm ²) from cake holders from China	product (to be) destroyed
05/02/2009	Belgium	2009.AGW	prohibited substance nitrofurantoin (metabolite) nitrofurazone (SEM) (5; 10 µg/kg - ppb) in frozen freshwater shrimps from Bangladesh	product (to be) re-dispatched
05/02/2009	Germany	2009.AGX	aflatoxins (B1 = 17.7; Tot. = 30.0 µg/kg - ppb) in salted and roasted pistachio nuts in shell from Turkey	product (to be) re-dispatched
05/02/2009	Poland	2009.AGY	dead mouse in rapeseeds destined for edible purposes from Ukraine	product (to be) re-dispatched
05/02/2009	Germany	2009.AGZ	prohibited substance nitrofurantoin (metabolite) nitrofurazone (SEM) (1.25 µg/kg - ppb) in freshwater shrimps (<i>Macrobrachium rosenbergii</i>) from India	product (to be) re-dispatched or destroyed
05/02/2009	Greece	2009.AHA	aflatoxins (B1 = 8; Tot. = 41 / B1 = 1.8; Tot. = 5.8 / B1 = 6.2; Tot. = 7.2 µg/kg - ppb) in groundnut kernels from Argentina	product (to be) re-dispatched or destroyed
05/02/2009	Italy	2009.AHB	aflatoxins (B1 = 2.5; Tot. = 17.3 µg/kg - ppb) in peanuts in shell from China	product (to be) re-dispatched
05/02/2009	Germany	2009.AHC	aflatoxins (B1 = 1.5; Tot. = 9.6 µg/kg - ppb) in roasted hazelnut kernels from Turkey	product (to be) re-dispatched

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06/02/2009	Cyprus	2009.AHD	improper health certificate(s) for chilled fish (<i>Pagellus bellotii</i> + <i>Epinephelus aeneus</i> + <i>Diplodus sargus</i>) from Senegal	product (to be) destroyed
06/02/2009	the United Kingdom	2009.AHE	aflatoxins (B1 = 47; Tot. = 51 µg/kg - ppb) in corn meal in retail packs from India	product (to be) destroyed
06/02/2009	Greece	2009.AHF	E 200 - sorbic acid (827.0 / 729.2 / 672.4 mg/kg - ppm) unauthorised in biscuits with sugar from the Russian Federation	product (to be) detained
06/02/2009	Greece	2009.AHG	too high content of E 210 - benzoic acid (323.7 mg/kg - ppm) in caramel glaze from Turkey	product (to be) redispached or destroyed
06/02/2009	Greece	2009.AHH	ochratoxin A (6.4 µg/kg - ppb) in vanilla flavoured biscuits from Moldova	product (to be) destroyed
06/02/2009	Greece	2009.AHI	migration of formaldehyde (30.4; 21; 54.7 mg/kg - ppm) from plastic forks from China	product (to be) detained
06/02/2009	Italy	2009.AHJ	migration of chromium (229 (fork); 51.7 (knife) mg/kg - ppm) and of nickel (1.5 (fork); 0.7 (knife) mg/kg - ppm) from steel knives and forks from China	product (to be) re-dispached
06/02/2009	Greece	2009.AHK	too high content of the sum of E 210 - benzoic acid and of E 200 - sorbic acid (Sa+Ba= 1446 mg/kg - ppm) in tomato sauce from the Russian Federation	product (to be) redispached or destroyed
06/02/2009	Spain	2009.AHL	spoilage of fresh pears from Chile	product (to be) destroyed
06/02/2009	Italy	2009.AHM	aflatoxins (B1 = 3.6; Tot. = 10 / B1 = 1.5; Tot. = 2.1 / B1 = 5.5; Tot. = 13 µg/kg - ppb) in cashew nuts from Brazil	product (to be) redispached or destroyed
06/02/2009	Spain	2009.AHN	cadmium (1.42 / 1.1 mg/kg - ppm) in frozen whole cleaned cuttlefish skewer from Thailand	product (to be) re-dispached
06/02/2009	Poland	2009.AHO	aflatoxins (B1 = 7.547; Tot. = 22.327 µg/kg - ppb) in dried figs from Turkey	product (to be) re-dispached
06/02/2009	Spain	2009.AHP	spoilage of fresh plums from Chile	product (to be) destroyed
06/02/2009	Spain	2009.AHQ	altered organoleptic characteristics of crystallised fruits and vegetables from Lebanon	product (to be) destroyed
06/02/2009	Italy	2009.AHR	migration of chromium (2.71; 0.62 mg/dm ²) and of nickel (0.010 mg/dm ²) from sets of knives and forks in aluminium case from China	product (to be) re-dispached
06/02/2009	Spain	2009.AHS	spoilage of cassavas and bananas from Ecuador	product (to be) re-dispached
06/02/2009	Belgium	2009.AHT	prohibited substance nitrofurans (metabolite) nitrofurazone (SEM) (20 / 4.7 µg/kg - ppb) in frozen fresh water headless king prawn (<i>Macrobrachium rosenbergii</i>) from India	product (to be) redispached or destroyed

TABLE 4: CORRIGENDA TO PREVIOUS NOTIFICATIONS

DATE:	REF.:	NOTIFI-CATION:	OF WEEK	SUBJECT	CORRIGENDUM:
05/02/2009	inf01	2009.ACD	3	microsporidia in frozen anglerfish (<i>Lophius</i> spp.) from South Africa	Based on the information given by the South African authorities, the subject of the notification is modified into: "microsporidia (<i>Microsporidium spraguea lophii</i>) in frozen anglerfish (<i>Lophius</i> spp.) from South Africa".

TABLE 5: WITHDRAWALS OF PREVIOUS NOTIFICATIONS

DATE:	REF.:	NOTIFI- CATION:	OF WEEK	SUBJECT	REASON FOR WITHDRAWAL:
03/02/2009	add01	2009.0046	3	unauthorised colour Sudan 4 in unrefined palm oil from the United Kingdom, via the Netherlands	After renewed analysis it is concluded that the product did not contain Sudan Red. Therefore this notification is hereby withdrawn.