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Response of the Competent Authorities of Viet Nam to the recommendations of Report ref. DG(SANCO)/2012-6547-MR of an audit carried out from 11 to 20 September 2012 in order to evaluate the control systems in place governing the production of fishery products intended for export to the European Union

N°	Recommendation	Action Proposed by the Competent Authority
1	To ensure that aquaculture farms providing fishery products to establishments, listed by the CA for participation in the EU export chain, keep records to a standard at least equivalent to the requirements laid down in Regulation (EC) No 852/2004, Annex I, Part A, point III.	<p>-The Directorate of Fisheries shall in written require local CAs to ensure that the food safety conditions of aquaculture farms must be monitored with the frequency of at least once a year as regulated by Circular No. 14/2011/TT-BNNPTNT.</p> <p>- Intensively encourage aquaculture farms in applying Viet GAP via training courses for local CAs and farmers in 2013</p>
2	To ensure that fishing vessels providing fishery products to establishments, listed by the CA for participation in the EU export chain, meet standards at least equivalent to the requirements laid down in Regulation (EC) No 852/2004 and Regulation (EC) No 853/2004, Annex III, Section VIII, Chapter I.	<p>- In 2013, NAFIQAD shall still train the management boards of landing sites, local CAs on the knowledge of food safety assurance</p> <p>- In December 2012, NAFIQAD shall in written require:</p> <p>+ Local CAs to intensively monitor hygiene conditions of landing sites, fishing vessels providing raw materials for processing fishery products exported to the EU</p> <p>+ Processing fishery establishments to only purchase raw materials from sites which meet requirements on food safety conditions</p> <p>+ NAFIQAD Branches not to grant health certificates for fishery consignments for export to the EU exploited, transported, stored by fishing vessels, middlemen which do not meet Vietnamese regulations on food safety assurance.</p>
3	To ensure that fishery products intended for export to the EU are landed at landing sites which meet standards at least equivalent to the requirements laid down in Regulation (EC) No 852/2004 Annex I, Part A and Regulation (EC) No 853/2004, Annex III, Section VIII, Chapter II, point 1.	<p>- In 2013, NAFIQAD shall keep the intensive inspection, audit to the food safety control of fishery products performed by local CAs to ensure control effectiveness.</p>
4	To ensure that the production of ice which comes in contact with fishery products meets standards at least equivalent to the requirements laid down in	<p>- In December 2012, NAFIQAD shall in written require local CAs in coordination with the management board of landing sites to control quality of ice which is used for preserve fishery products to ensure that ice is produced by producers meeting</p>

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	Regulation (EC) No 852/2004, Annex II, Chapter VII, 4.	Vietnamese regulations on hygiene conditions, as well with Local Health Centers to petition such ice producers to upgrade premises and equipments to meet standards - NAFIQAD shall require the fishery processing establishments approved for export to the EU not to use ice produced by unsatisfactory producers
5	To ensure that, as established in the Part II.1 of the health certificate, that fishery products exported to the EU have satisfactory undergone the official controls laid down in Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 854/2004, in particular Chapter II, point C regarding histamine and point D regarding PAH and meet the requirements laid down in Regulation (EC) No 1883/2006.	- PAH has been included in the post-harvest fishery monitoring Program 2012 - NAFIQAD shall in written require its Branches to apply Histamine analysis method for fishery products export to the EU as laid down in Regulations (EC) No. 1441/2006.