

Food Legislation News

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Statements of the ALS

The Working Group of Food Chemistry Experts from the Federal States and the Federal Office of Consumer Protection and Food Safety (ALS) adopted the following opinions during its 124th meeting:

Decision Tree "Naturalness of Food Additives" under Regulation (EC) No. 1333/2008:

The ALS has published a decision tree to help ascertain whether a food additive should be classified as "natural," the ALS has published a decision tree (Statement No. 2025/01).

Foods for Special Medical Purposes (balanced diets) for individuals with chewing and swallowing difficulties:

Pureed ready meals shaped using thickening agents for individuals with chewing and swallowing difficulties meet the requirements for foods for special medical purposes and may be marketed under the designation "Food for Special Medical Purposes (balanced diet)" (Statement No. 2025/02).

Joint supplements marketed as food supplements with authorised health claims relating to connective tissue, cartilage or bones:

The product name "Joint ..." or corresponding graphic representations may, depending on the type of presentation/advertising, violate various provisions of the Health Claims Regulation (Regulation (EC) No. 1924/2006, HCVO) (Statement No. 2025/03).

Advertising food supplements with a nutrient transport concept:

Highlighting a nutrient transport concept emphasises a special product feature. If the product owner cannot sufficiently substantiate this scientifically, the claim is misleading. Mentioning a nutrient transport concept without further explanation on the labelling does not comply with the relevant provisions of the Food Information Regulation (LMIV) (Statement No. 2025/04).

Assessment of health/disease-related claims made in customer reviews on the distributor's website:

By publishing customer reviews on their own website, the distributor assumes responsibility for the content of the statements. Violations of the LMIV or HCVO provisions are therefore attributable to the distributor, even if a disclaimer is used (Statement No. 2025/05).

Amino acid profile – Nutritional or quality-related claim?

If the labelling of protein-containing foods includes a voluntary statement on the amino acid composition per 100 g of protein in addition to the nutritional information, and no individual amino acids or amino acid groups are highlighted, this is considered a quality-related claim (Statement No. 2025/06).

Note

ALS opinions are not legally binding but may be regarded as expert assessments.

Further details and a current overview of the statements, including those from the latest meeting and the archive, can be found in German at:

https://www.bvl.bund.de/EN/Tasks/01_Food/01_tasks/02_OfficialFoodControl/12_ALS/Im_ALS_node.html

EFSA publications

The European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) has published the following:

Neotam (E 961):

As part of the re-evaluation of Neotame as a food additive, a new Acceptable Daily Intake (ADI) of 10 mg/kg body weight per day was established. This replaces the previously set value of 2 mg/kg body weight per day (<https://www.efsa.europa.eu/de/efsajournal/pub/9480>).

Fluoride:

The potential risks of fluoride in drinking water, food, fluoridated table salt, and swallowed fluoridated dental products for consumers were re-evaluated. Safe/acceptable intake levels for all age groups were updated (<https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/news/fluoride-safety-updated-intake-levels-all-ages>).

Lead:

EFSA has published its assessment of dietary exposure to lead for the European population. In adults, meat-based foods contributed most to lead exposure <https://www.efsa.europa.eu/de/efsajournal/pub/9577>.

News from BfR

The Federal Institute for Risk Assessment (BfR) has published the following, among others:

Fly Agaric Poison – Health Risks of Muscimol-containing “Fruit Gummies”:

In its statement dated 27 June 2025, the BfR warns against consuming products resembling fruit gummies that contain the intoxicating fly agaric poison Muscimol. Children are particularly at risk. (Notification no. 021/2025, <https://www.bfr.bund.de/en/notification/fly-agaric-poison-health-risks-of-fruit-gummies-containing-muscimol-children-are-particularly-at-risk/>).

FAQs:

The BfR has compiled or updated the following FAQ catalogues:

- STEC/EHEC-infections from food: Recognising and preventing risks (<https://www.bfr.bund.de/en/service/frequently-asked-questions/topic/stec-ehec-infections-through-food-identifying-and-preventing-risks/>)
- Germs in poultry meat (<https://www.bfr.bund.de/en/service/frequently-asked-questions/topic/questions-and-answers-on-chemical-decontamination-of-poultry-meat/>)
- Acute food poisoning (<https://www.bfr.bund.de/en/service/frequently-asked-questions/topic/acute-food-poisoning-what-are-possible-causes-and-how-can-they-be-prevented/>)

- Glycerol in slush ice drinks
(<https://www.bfr.bund.de/en/service/frequently-asked-questions/topic/slush-ice-drinks-with-glycerol-refreshments-with-potential-undesired-health-effects/>)
- Chlorate
(<https://www.bfr.bund.de/en/service/frequently-asked-questions/topic/fragen-und-antworten-zu-chlorat-in-lebensmitteln/>)
- Perchlorate
(<https://www.bfr.bund.de/en/service/frequently-asked-questions/topic/frequently-asked-questions-about-perchlorate-in-food/>)
- Sweeteners
(<https://www.bfr.bund.de/en/service/frequently-asked-questions/topic/sweeteners-in-food-selected-questions-and-answers/>)
- Selenium
(<https://www.bfr.bund.de/en/service/frequently-asked-questions/topic/selenium-levels-in-plant-based-foods-vary-from-region-to-region/>)
- Fluoride
(<https://www.bfr.bund.de/en/service/frequently-asked-questions/topic/fluoride-important-for-teeth/>)
- 3-MCPD-, 2-MCPD and glycidyl fatty acid esters
(<https://www.bfr.bund.de/en/service/frequently-asked-questions/topic/frequently-asked-questions-regarding-the-contamination-of-foods-with-3-mcpd-2-mcpd-and-glycidyl-fatty-acid-esters/>)
- Coffee, energy drinks, caffeine powder
(<https://www.bfr.bund.de/en/service/frequently-asked-questions/topic/frequently-asked-questions-on-caffeine-and-foods-containing-caffeine-including-energy-drinks/>).

High consumption of energy drinks – Press release:

According to a study, chronic high consumption of energy drinks among adolescents is initially not associated with heart damage. However, it remains unclear whether long-term high consumption may have effects later in life (<https://www.bfr.bund.de/en/press-release/chronic-high-consumption-of-energy-drinks-is-not-initially-associated-with-cardiological-impairment-in-adolescents/>).

Changes in plant protection products

Maximum residue levels (MRLs):

Regulations (EU) 2025/1212 and 2025/1305 amended the MRLs for the following active substances:

Acetamiprid, amidosulfuron, azoxystrobin, hexythiazox, isoxaben, sodium silver thiosulphate, picloram, propamocarb, and tefluthrin.

Information on plant protection products from the BVL:

Extensive information on authorised plant protection products, revoked and suspended authorisations, and emergency authorisations can be found on the website of the Federal Office of Consumer Protection and Food Safety (BVL):

(https://www.bvl.bund.de/EN/Tasks/04_Plant_protection_products/01_ppp_tasks/02_ppp_AuthorisationReviewActSub/01_ppps_authorised/ppp_authorised_node.html).

Changes in veterinary medicines

The BVL has published the following announcements regarding the authorisation of veterinary medicines and other official actions (in German):

- Announcement of 20 May 2025:
https://www.bvl.bund.de/SharedDocs/Downloads/05_Tierarzneimittel/Bekanntmachungen/2025_06_27_Bekanntmachung_BAnz.pdf?__blob=publicationFile&v=2,
- dated 14 July 2025:
<https://www.bundesanzeiger.de/pub/publication/KWBpInu2aUoy9glefMu/content/KWBpInu2aUoy9glefMu/BAnz%20AT%2019.08.2025%20B5.pdf?inline> and
<https://www.bundesanzeiger.de/pub/publication/Mx3HYGRd98a8Hsvc3E7/content/Mx3HYGRd98a8Hsvc3E7/BAnz%20AT%2019.08.2025%20B6.pdf?inline>.

Judgements

ECJ – Unauthorised organic advertising for medicinal tea:

Traditional herbal medicinal products may not be labelled with the EU organic logo. According to the ECJ, such products fall exclusively under EU pharmaceutical law. (ECJ, judgement of 26 June 2025, C-618/23 – SALUS, <https://curia.europa.eu/juris/document/document.jsf?mode=DOC&pageIndex=0&docid=301744&part=1&doclang=EN&text=&dir=&occ=first&cid=10299241>).

Federal Constitutional Court – “Food Pillory”:

If an unreasonably long period elapses between the food control complaint and its publication online, this violates the provisions of the Basic Law. (Decision of 28 July 2025 - 1 BvR 1949/24, in German: <https://www.bundesverfassungsgericht.de/SharedDocs/Pressemitteilungen/DE/2025/bvg25-073.html?nn=148438>).

“Dubai Chocolate” – update:

Contrary to the decision of the Cologne Regional Court dated 26 February 2025, the Cologne Higher Regional Court ruled in an urgent procedure that “Dubai Chocolate” may only be labelled as such if it is actually produced in Dubai. (judgement of 27 June 2025, 6 U 53/25, in German: https://nrwe.justiz.nrw.de/olgs/koeln/j2025/6_U_53_25_Urteil_20250627.html, press release: https://www.olg-koeln.nrw.de/behoerde/presse/004_zt_letzte-pm_archiv_zwangs/002_archiv/001_pm_archiv_2025/012_2025-06-27_pm12_dubai-sschokolade/index.php).

Misleading advertising with regionality:

The claim “from regional farms” for sausage products was misleading, as the products were available nationwide online. It could not be guaranteed that buyers would receive goods from their own region. (OLG Oldenburg, Az. 6 U 23/25, not legally binding, in German: <https://www.verbraucherzentrale-bawue.de/pressemeldungen/vertraege-reklamation/erfolg-gegen-wiesenhof-108486>).

Unauthorised designations such as “This is not Gin”:

According to a ruling by the Hamburg Regional Court, alcohol-free alternatives to spirits may not contain designations protected by the Spirits Regulation. The use of the English word “not” does not prevent this prohibition. (judgement of 24 July 2025, Az. 416 HKO 51/23, not legally binding, in German: <https://www.schutzverband.org/landgericht-hamburg-untersagt-die-auslobung-alkoholfreier-gin/>).

“Immune-Smoothie” – unauthorised:

A fruit puree with added vitamins may not be marketed as an “Immune Smoothie.” According to the Karlsruhe Regional Court, the term “Immune” constitutes an unauthorised health claim. Fruit puree with added vitamins may not be marketed as an “immune smoothie.” (judgement of 14 August 2025, Az. 14 O 13/25, not legally binding, in German: <https://www.lto.de/recht/nachrichten/n/14o1325kfh-lg-karlsruhe-dm-immun-smoothie-irrefuehrende-werbung-foodwatch>, https://www.foodwatch.org/fileadmin/-DE/Themen/Gesundheitsschwindel/Immun-Werbung/2025-08_dm_foodwatch_205_08_14_beA_LG_URTEIL_geschw%C3%A4rzt.pdf).

Miscellaneous

Novel Food – Extension of the Union List:

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2470 establishing the Union list of novel foods has been amended by further implementing regulations, granting the following approvals:

- Roasted seeds of the Baru nut (*Dipteryx alata* Vogel) as a traditional food (Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/1263 of 30 June 2025),
- Oil from tiger nut/earth almond (*Cyperus esculentus*) as a novel food (Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/1528 of 30 July 2025).

Additive polyvinylpolypyrrolidone (E 1202):

Regulation (EU) 2025/1337 of 10 July 2025 authorised polyvinylpolypyrrolidone (E 1202) as a carrier in dye tablets for colouring poultry eggshells.
(https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=OJ:L_202501337).

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EC Alert Notifications

Following are notifications chosen from the European Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed. Considered were alerts for food, information and border rejections which arrived **between 1 July and 15 September 2025**.

Source:

https://www.bvl.bund.de/DE/Arbeitsbereiche/01_Lebensmittel/01_Aufgaben/04_Warn_und_Informationssysteme/00_Warn_und_Informationssysteme/01_RASFF/021_aktuelle_rasff_meldungen/aktuelle_meldungen_lm_box.html (in German)

Reason for Notifying	Product	Country of Origin	Notes	Number
Mycotoxins				
Aflatoxins total: 104	peanuts, pistachios, figs, hazelnuts, almonds (including products)			88
	nutmeg	Indonesia	B1: 208.5 µg/kg; total: 237.6 µg/kg	1
	organic tiger nuts	Niger	B1: 16 µg/kg; total: 27.5 µg/kg	1
	organic paprika powder	Spain	B1: up 10.07 µg/kg	1

Reason for Notifying	Product	Country of Origin	Notes	Number
	spice mix	Nigeria	total: 194.7 µg/kg	1
	cereal, biscuit flavor	France	B1: 0.25 µg/kg	1
	soybean flour	Serbia	B1: up 3.7 µg/kg	1
	buckwheat flour	France	B1: 4.2 µg/kg; total: 7.6 µg/kg	1
	basmati rice, brown rice	Pakistan	B1: up 20 µg/kg; total: up 23 µg/kg	5
	popcorn corn	Turkey	B1: 7.962 µg/kg; total: 8.57 µg/kg	1
	organic apricots processed in muesli from Germany	Uzbekistan	B1: 7.3 µg/kg; total: 10.8 µg/kg	1
	dubai chocolate	Turkey, United Arab Emirates	total: up 15.6 µg/kg	2
Ochratoxin A	dried figs	Turkey	up 100.4 µg/kg	9
	raisins	Uzbekistan, Latvia, China	up 42 µg/kg	5
	dried mulberries	Turkey	2.96 µg/kg	1
	dried apricots	Italy and Turkey	6.1 µg/kg	1
	organic apricots processed in muesli from Germany	Uzbekistan	11.0 µg/kg	1
	dubai chocolate	United Arab Emirates	2.0 µg/kg	1
	coffee	UK, Bulgaria, Netherlands	up 6.8 µg/kg	3
	red pepper	Kosovo, Cambodia	up 74 µg/kg	2
	nutmeg	unknown	118.3 µg/kg	1
	basmati rice	India	up 8.4 µg/kg	2
	preparation for galettes	France	14 µg/kg	1
	carob powder	Turkey	7.1 µg/kg	1
	sunflower seeds	Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria	up 35 µg/kg	1
	pistacchios	USA, Turkey	up 110 µg/kg	3
Deoxynivalenol (DON)	wheat	Czech Rep.		1
Fumonisin	maize products	Italy	1,280 µg/kg	1
Patulin	fruit drink	Netherlands	120 µg/kg	1
	frozen apple pie	France	up 140 µg/kg	1

Reason for Notifying	Product	Country of Origin	Notes	Number
Alternaria toxins	sunflower seeds	China	Alternariol: 230 µg/kg, Tenuazonic acid: 4,200 µg/kg, Alternariol mono- methyl ether (AME): 152 µg/kg	1
	dried figs	Turkey	Tenuazonic acid: 1,422 µg/kg	1
Heavy Metals / Other Metals				
Lead	sausage	Czech Rep.	0.228 mg/kg	1
	psyllium husks	India	4.4 mg/kg	1
	dried ground ginger, spice mix	China	up 1.5 mg/kg	2
	spice with fenugreek	Pakistan	up 180 mg/kg	1
	dried pearl barley	China	1.1 mg/kg	1
	cocoa powder	Belarus	1.38 mg/kg	1
Cadmium	octopus	UK	1.7 mg/kg	1
	lobster, crab	Canada, Ireland	up 1.7 mg/kg	2
	horse mackerel	Chile	0.440 mg/kg	1
	horse liver	Romania	2.21 mg/kg	1
	frozen caps	China	1.85 mg/kg	1
	avocados	Colombia, Peru	0.072 mg/kg	2
	mangos	Senegal	up 0.068 mg/kg	2
	dried tarragon	France	0.694 mg/kg	1
	rice, red rice, wheat bran	Italy, Sri Lanka, Netherlands	up 0.26 mg/kg	3
	dried ginger	China	0.374 mg/kg	1
	garlic	China	0.077 mg/kg	1
	peanuts	China	0.31 mg/kg	1
Mercury	fish, fish products	Spain, Portugal, South Africa	up 2.3 mg/kg	10
	food supplement	Netherlands, India	up 29 mg/kg	3
Arsenic	organic algae mix	China	11 mg/kg	1
Aluminium	food supplement	Switzerland		1
Nickel	peaches, tomato juice	Albania, Ukraine	up 0.34 mg/kg	2
	garlic	China	1.3 mg/kg	1

Reason for Notifying	Product	Country of Origin	Notes	Number
Other Contaminants / Residues				
Ethylene oxide, 2-Chloroethanol	food supplement, spice mix, lime pickle, stevia sweetener	India, France		7
Methyl bromide/Bromide	cashew nuts	Luxembourg	Bromide: up 160 mg/kg	1
Benzo(a)pyrene, Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAH)	smoked sausage	Poland	Benzo(a)pyrene: 4 µg/kg; PAH: 35.4 µg/kg	1
	smoked ham	France	PAH: 15.5 µg/kg	1
	cocoa powder	Germany (raw mat. unknown)	Benzo(a)pyrene: 11.7 µg/kg; PAH: 45.4 µg/kg	1
	parsley	Egypt	PAH: 81.6 µg/kg	1
Chlorate	xanthan gum	China and Belgium	up >100 mg/kg	1
Perchlorate	herbal tea	China	10 mg/kg	1
Mineral oil hydrocarbons (MOSH/MOAH)	banana chips	Philippines	up 4.6 mg/kg	2
	olive oil	Italy, Spain	up 45.4 mg/kg	3
	unrefined palm oil	Ecuador, Ghana	up 7.0 mg/kg	2
	sesame oil	China	3.6 mg/kg	1
	garlic powder, cumin powder, spice mix	China, India	up 1.9 mg/kg	3
	cheesecake mix, toast crackers	Netherlands	up 2.8 mg/kg	2
	rice, basmati rice	India, Pakistan	MOSH: 135 mg/kg; MOAH: 3.0 mg/kg	2
	black tea (passion fruit)	Germany	1.2 mg/kg	1
	pea protein	USA	MOSH: 5,500 mg/kg; MOAH: 9.3 mg/kg	1
	crude soy lecithin	India	up 5.2 mg/kg	2
	organic wheat grass powder	Germany and Belgium	3.8 mg/kg	1
	psyllium husk powder	Germany and Belgium	13.1 mg/kg	1
	frozen potato product	Belgium		1
Acrylamide	pastry (galette)	Czech Rep.		1
	potato chips, chips	Spain, Belgium	up 1,154 µg/kg	2
	puffed wheat	Switzerland	650 µg/kg	1
3-Monochloro-1,2-propanediol (3-MCPD)	palm oil	Ecuador, Ghana, UK	up 4,030 µg/kg	3
	sesame oil	China	4,400 µg/kg	1

Reason for Notifying	Product	Country of Origin	Notes	Number
	cookies	Taiwan, Turkey	up 5,500 µg/kg	2
	confectionery	Turkey		1
Glycidyl esters	palm oil	UK	4,290 µg/kg	1
	sesame oil	China	1,600 µg/kg	1
	cookies	Malaysia, Taiwan, Turkey	up 6,400 µg/kg	3
	confectionery	Turkey		1
Dioxins	wild game meat (duck)	UK	2.99 pg TEQ/g	1
Ergot (<i>Claviceps purpurea</i>)	wheat bran	Germany	Ergot alkaloids: 330 µg/kg	1
	wholemeal wheat flour	France	Ergot alkaloids: 230 µg/kg	1
Pyrrolizidine alkaloids (PA)	pollen	Poland, Italy, Spain	up 2,995 µg/kg	3
	lovage	Poland	6,583.6 µg/kg	1
	oregano	Greece, Turkey	up 18,509 µg/kg	4
	organic eyebright herb	Bulgaria	up 641.1 µg/kg	1
	fennel tea	Greece	30,054.3 µg/kg	1
	leaf tea	Netherlands	1,000 µg/kg	1
	green tea	UK	233.4 µg/kg	1
Histamine	fish, fish products	Spain, Morocco, Netherlands, Italy, Tunisia, China	up 2,850 mg/kg	8
Iodine	seaweed paste	Germany (raw mat. Ireland)	51.2 mg/kg	1
	dried seaweed strips	China	up 3,282 mg/kg DM	1
Hydrocyanic acid	linseed	France	300 mg/kg	1
	apricot kernels	Uzbekistan		1
Pharmacological Active Substances				
Muscimol	confectionery, gummi candies	Czech Rep., Italy and Netherlands		2
	hemp flower tea	Austria	12.24 mg/g	1
Cannabidiol (CBD), Tetrahydrocannabidiol (H4CBD), Hexahydrocannabinol (HHC), 10-Hydroxyhexacannabinol (10-OH-HHC)	CBD oils, confectionery, chewing gum, alcoholic drinks, hemp tea, tea, food supplement	Spain, Romania, Netherlands, Switzerland, Czech Rep.	CBD	11
	confectionery	Netherlands	HHC	1
	confectionery	Czech Rep.	HHC, H4CBD	1
	hemp flower tea, confectionery	Germany (raw mat. Italy), Czech Rep.	10-OH-HHC	2

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Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC)	cookies and syrup	USA	up 3,002 mg/kg	1
	confectionery	Czech Rep., Slovakia, Netherlands	1,188 mg/kg	3
Opium alkaloids	poppy seeds	Czech Rep., Hungary, Pakistan	up 113 mg/kg	3
Dehydroepiandrosteron (DHEA)	food supplement	Netherlands		1
Melatonin	food supplement	USA	3 mg/tablet	1
Leukomalachite green, Crystal violet	farmed salmon, trouts, shrimps	Verein. Königreich, Dänemark, Bangladesh	Leukomalachite green: up 1.02 µg/kg	3
	shrimps	Ecuador	Crystal violet: 0.52 µg/kg	1
Chloramphenicol	skimmed milk powder	Ukraine	10.12 µg/kg	1
Ciprofloxacin and Enrofloxacin	poultry meat	Poland, Germany	Ciprofloxacin: 64 µg/kg; Enrofloxacin: 197 µg/kg	1
Nitrofurantol metabolite	eggs	Ukraine	Furazolidone (AOZ): up 17.46 µg/kg	4
	shrimps	Vietnam	Furazolidone (AOZ)	3
Sulfonamides	beef	UK	Sulfadiazin: 124 µg/kg	1
Tetracycline	poultry meat	Poland	Doxycylin: 169 µg/kg	1
Robenidine	rabbit meat (Oryctolagus cuniculus)	China	up 10.4 µg/kg	1
Salinomycin	eggs	Poland	9.56 µg/kg	1
Triclabendazole	milk	Bulgaria	15.2 µg/kg	1
Sibutramine	food supplement, various products	Germany, Turkey		5
Sildenafil	food supplement, various products	Austria, Turkey, Thailand		7
Tadalafil	food supplement	UK, Switzerland, Turkey, Thailand		4
Yohimbe extract	food supplement	Czech Rep.		1
Unauthorised Colours				
Rhodamine B	curry powder	India		1
Gardenia Blue (E165)	candy	Japan		1
Gardenia Yellow (E134)	lemonade	Japan		1
Sudan I and Sudan Red G	spice mix	Uzbekistan		1
Sudan II	curry powder	Netherlands		1

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Sudan III and Sudan IV	spice	Egypt		1
Titanium dioxide (E 171)	food supplement	Brazil, UK		3
	confectionery	China, Syria, Brazil, Greece, Colombia		6
	various products	Pakistan		1
	banana sauce	Philippines		1
Miscellaneous				
Glycerine content too high	softdrinks	UK	up 71,340 mg/l	1
Methanol	sweet paprika (spice)	China	31 mg/kg	1
Salicylic acid	yoghurt	UK	>20 µg/L	1
Parasitic infestation with Anisakis	fish, fish products	Netherlands		1
GMO, not authorised	miso paste	China	(rice)	1
Irradiation, not authorised	food supplement	Bulgaria		1
Foodborne disease outbreak	broccoli, avocado, mixed berries	Italy, Germany, Serbia		3
	seaweed salad	China		1
	tuna, herring in jelly	Ecuador, Germany		2
	food supplement	Belgium, Spain, Germany		3
Pathogenic Germs				
Salmonella total: 119	meat, meat products (including poultry)			74
	chopped crab, mussels	Netherlands, France		3
	eggs, egg products	Netherlands, Bulgaria, Poland		3
	milk powder	France		1
	sesame, sesame products	India, Uganda, Nigeria, Ethiopia, Syria, Turkey		19
	onion sprouts	Switzerland (raw mat. Italy)		1
	chlorella powder	India		1
	ground ginger, lemongrass	China, Vietnam		2
	basil powder, dried rosemary	Georgia, Spain		2
	rocket, rocket salad, ready made salad	Italy		3
	cashew nuts	Cote d'Ivoire		2

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	almonds, almond paste	USA, Spain		3
	brazil nuts	USA		1
	pistachios	Luxembourg, USA, Iran		3
	vegan chocolate	Germany		1
<i>Listeria monocytogenes</i>	meat, meat products (including poultry)	Bulgaria, Netherlands, Poland, Belgium, UK, Czech Rep., France, Ireland, Latvia, Spain		16
	fish, fish products	Vietnam, Norway, Denmark, Poland, Netherlands, France, Belgium, Lithuania, Serbia, Czech Rep.		17
	shrimps, shrimp products	Spain, Netherlands		2
	cheese, mozzarella, raw milk cheese	France, Ireland, Italy, Czech Rep.		8
	raw goat's milk	Spain		1
	enoki mushrooms	China		2
	hummus	Belgium, UK		2
	coriander	Ireland		1
	spinach, mixed salads	France, Ireland		4
	ready meal	Ireland	(suspicion)	1
<i>Bacillus cereus</i>	couscous, paella and semolina	France		1
	pancakes	Belgium		1
	mashed potatoes	Netherlands		1
<i>Campylobacter jejuni</i>	poultry meat	Netherlands		1
Shiga toxin-producing E.coli (STEC)	beef, minced meat, burger patties, sausage, salami	Brazil, Belgium, Lithuania, Spain, Germany		6
	cheese, raw milk cheese, soft cheese, raw goat's milk cheese	Spain, France		6
	mung bean sprouts	Netherlands		1
Coagulase-positive staphylococci	smoked ham, frozen sweet potato	France, Spain		2
<i>Vibrio cholerae</i> , <i>Vibrio parahaemolyticus</i> , <i>Vibrio vulnificus</i>	shrimps, marinated prawn skewers	Ecuador, India, Netherlands		3
<i>Yersinia enterocolitica</i>	frozen pork	Spain		1

Reason for Notifying	Product	Country of Origin	Notes	Number
Norovirus	dates	Tunisia		1

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