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Directorate B. Multilateral relations, quality policy

The Director

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Invitation to the meeting of the COMMITTEE ON ORGANIC PRODUCTION

**The 129th meeting of the Committee on Organic Production
will take place on 02 December from 14:30 to 18:00 & 03 December 2015 from 09:30 until
18:00 at
rue de la Loi 130 – 11th floor - room B**

**Simultaneous interpretation:
FR-DE-EN-IT-ES to FR-DE-EN-IT-ES**

I have the honour to invite the experts from the appropriate departments of the Governments of the Member States to attend a meeting of the Committee on Organic Production which will take place on 02 & 03 December 2015 in Brussels at the following address:

**European Commission - DG AGRI building
rue de la Loi 130 – B 1049 BRUSSELS
11th floor - room B**

AGENDA

Section A – Opinion of the Committee

- 1. Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) amending Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008 laying down detailed rules for implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 as regards the arrangements for imports of organic products from third countries (Ares(2015)4401239)**

Section B – Points for information and/or discussion

- 1. Draft Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) amending Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008 laying down detailed rules for implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 as regards an electronic certificate of inspection**
- 2. Draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 889/2008 as regards substances: Annex II, VI & VIII**

3. Overview of the audits carried out by the Food and Veterinary Office on organic production and labelling of organic products

4. Pesticide residue testing in organic production

5. Supervision of laboratories

Presentation by Poland

6. Follow up to irregularities and fraud allegations in the EU

~~1. Overview of notifications as of 3 November 2015~~

2. Cases for presentation by the notified and notifying Member State, information and discussions

- INEU 51/2015 BE-NL (yellow peas)
- INEU 204/2015, INEU 160/2015 DE-SK, INEU 177/2015 CY-SK (rapeseed)

3. Follow up of cases previous discussed in COP – information and discussions

- OFIS EU 336/2014 (OFIS) 1394 FR - PT (fake certificate)
- OFIS 373/2014 (OFIS 1466) NL-BG (strawberry leaves)
- INEU 21/2015 FR-IT (apple puree), INEU 58/2015 FR-IT (tomato concentrate)
- 198/2013 (OFIS 1038) BE-IT (certification status)
- INEU 142/2015 CZ-ES (lemons)

7. Follow up to irregularities and fraud allegations on imported products

1. Overview of notifications as per 09/11/2015

2. Cases for presentation by the notifying Member State and discussion

- a. 108/2015 - NL – yellow peas from Russia
- b. 136/2015 - NL – lentils from Turkey
- c. 123/2015 - DE – lime from Egypt
- d. 127/2015 – AT – spelt from Ukraine
- e. 76/2015 – DE – chia seeds from Paraguay

3. Feed imports from Ukraine and neighbouring countries

Developing special control guidelines

8. EGTOP

9. Reporting of operators to EUROSTAT and in annual reports under MANCPs – to be confirmed

10. Import regime (Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008)

- a) Canada: on-the-spot visit carried out on 26-30 October in the framework of the Canadian request to extend the scope of the equivalence arrangement to imported products and the EU request to extend the scope to organic wine
- b) Overview on third countries

Miscellaneous¹

- OFIS irregularity reporting modules – suggestions for improvement

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- ~~National catalogue of measures – feedback on Member States' replies to DG AGRI request~~

¹ Any subjects that the Member States wish to discuss under Point 'Miscellaneous' need to be submitted to the Commission and the other Member States at the latest one week before the meeting of the Committee on Organic Production.